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Yasuko Kano leads a group in a traditional Japanese dance. See story and pictures on pages 32 and 33.

New road rules will cost drivers

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

It's time to put down the cell phone while driving, or pay the price.

New legislation came into effect on Sept. 1 to increase penalties for distracted driving on Ontario's highways. The Making Ontario's Roads Safer Act, or Bill 31, was passed in June.

"Distracted driving changes are probably going to have the greatest impact," said Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Constable

Sean Hawley of the Haliburton Highlands detachment. "We're hoping they don't, that people will follow the rules and are not texting or using cells while driving. Everybody sees someone using their phone when they're out driving around."

Under the new rules, distracted driving comes with a fine of \$490 – with fees possibly reaching \$1,000 – and three demerit points upon conviction.

"It's not so much the fines that change people's attitude, it's the points," said Hawley.

"And we know, too, it has an effect on insurance rates."

Under the previous rules, people continued to use their phones because the fines weren't high enough. Hawley said there have been as many as 500 deaths since 2009 attributed to distracted driving on Ontario's roads, and that ranks higher than impaired in that same time period.

"In our detachment locally, we don't always track them as distracted but refer to them as inattentive driving," he said. "We had 534

motor vehicle collisions (MVCs) in 2014, and 64 of those were attributed to inattentive driving."

Hawley said there have been 326 MVCs so far this year, 54 of which have been attributed to inattentive driving.

"There is an uptick there and it's a major concern for us. Our priority is safety on the highways for not only the driver of that one vehicle, but for everyone using the highway, be it pedestrian, ATVs, bicycles, that type of thing."

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Fire chiefs want to ground floating lanterns

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Fire chiefs in Haliburton County are calling for a province-wide ban on the use of Chinese lanterns.

Since the floating lanterns continue to be a potential fire hazard, Dysart fire chief Miles Maughan recently sought council's approval to submit a recommendation to the Ontario Fire Marshal.

"They have come close to houses [in other years]," Maughan told The Highlander.

The department recently received a call – after the fact – that three lanterns became entangled in birch trees during a wedding held at the Pinestone Resort. In another incident, someone expressed concern when they saw lanterns flying over a lake.

"They were concerned because they saw them going over the lake and didn't know where they'd come down," he said.

Fortunately, the lanterns didn't start a fire.

Maughan pointed out that in addition to the potential for causing a fire, debris from the lantern is left behind once they come

down from the sky. The lanterns, which work like a hot air balloon, are made out of paper, wire and a candle.

Maughan told council the fire marshal could ban them from the province, but it has never happened in the past.

"I think if all the fire departments get together to support a ban, they might ban them."

He was authorized to submit a recommendation on behalf of the municipality, but will do so once the province has hired a fire marshal. Maughan explained the acting fire marshal

just accepted another job offer.

Minden Hills fire chief Doug Schell echoes Maughan's sentiments.

"I have only had one issue with the lanterns, but agree with Miles that they are a potential fire hazard and should be banned," he wrote in an email. "They are definitely an issue during dry periods."

Although Algonquin Highlands' fire chief, Mike Cavanagh, hasn't received any recent complaints, he also thinks a ban is a good idea.

"I would support a ban on a provincial level," he wrote in an email.

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Editorial opinion

Thank you and farewell

I didn't know anything about Haliburton County before I moved here.

All I had to go on was what people had told me – that it was beautiful, had a seasonal community, and that some pretty good hockey players called it home. But that's the usual sales pitch for the Highlands – I didn't really know anything.

Looking back on my time here – the highs and lows – I can say moving to the Highlands was the best decision I've made since asking my fiancée on our first date (and later to be my wife). Together, she and I have grown and learned so much, and it couldn't have happened anywhere else.

I've learned to curl, shoot, and field dress a deer. I've become a volunteer firefighter, something I never thought myself capable of before coming here. And most of all, I transformed from a person happy to stand alone to one that's part of a community, learning what that means and the impact a kind word or time volunteered can have on others.

That's what's beautiful about the Highlands. It's not just the trees and lakes – although those are breathtaking – it's the community that always amazes me.

At first, Ashley and I were content to do our own thing. But the moment we decided to venture out our door and participate in our community, our lives completely changed. It was almost immediate. Our home community – the people in Highlands East – have been wonderful. They welcomed us with open arms and invited us to join them, whether it be for tea, a community dinner or a bonspiel at the curling club. All we can say is thank you, and thank you again.

Though we lived in Highlands East, we always felt at home from one end of this county to the other. From hiking in Algonquin Highlands to dinner with friends in Minden Hills and Kozy Korner meetings with the Haliburton folks, life in the Highlands has been one great experience after another.

We are going to miss it.

But there are realities to life here as well. One of those is a lack of opportunities for young professionals who are still growing in their careers.

That's what is taking Ashley and I from beautiful Haliburton County to Ottawa. For that and several other reasons, including being closer to family, we've decided this is a move that makes a lot of sense for us.

Rest assured, we will be back. This place has a way of worming itself into your heart. Although this is the shortest time I've lived in any one place, it's one of the few places that ever felt like home.

At the risk of being too sentimental, I'd like to save my last words for my family at The Highlander.

What an incredible thing we have accomplished together, over these last four years. To see where it all started, and watch it grow into this, has been one of my greatest joys. We worked hard to build this newspaper together, and I am incredibly proud of each and every one of us – from our staff to our freelancers, and those who have moved on to other things.

We tell our community's stories, day after day, week after week. We sacrifice time with our families to do it, because we believe that what we do is important. And it is. Our readers let us know every time they pick up The Highlander.

Thank you all for your hard work, your dedication, and your passion. Together, you're working to make the Highlands a better place, and it has been my pleasure to be a part of that with all of you.

Matthew has accepted a new position in Ottawa in the communications field. His new job starts on Sept. 14. All of us at The Highlander wish Matthew and Ashley the very best in their life together.



By Matthew Desrosiers

No fun aloud?

Have you noticed that there seems to be A LOT MORE MOTORCYCLES IN THE HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS LATELY?

Sorry for yelling there. I was just sitting here typing when a large crowd/pack/herd/group of bikers went by. In retrospect, typing louder probably isn't going to help much but a guy has to try, right?

Please understand, I'm the first one to welcome more visitors to the area regardless of how loud they are and I sincerely hope they enjoy their time up here. But it does come at small price, namely a pair of eardrums.

Also note, I'm not the old guy sitting on his lawn wagging his cane and yelling at the kids playing in the street. It's just that, while some visitors may scoot up here unnoticed, motorcyclists certainly aren't on that list. You tend to notice them when they're here. Know what I mean?

The reality is that more people are getting into (onto) motorcycles than ever before and, lo and behold, the Highlands are prime territory for this sort of thing. While the 400 series of highways may be home to most of your motorcycle traffic, in reality it's our well-paved, meandering, beautiful and relatively quiet single lane roadways they love so much. Those brave pioneering individuals, who toiled for so long in our yesteryear to carve these amazing highways from thick bush and sheer rock, must get some sort of post mortem satisfaction that they're being utilized so much.

It's literally one of those attractions where you don't know what's around the next corner, mainly because you don't. That's the upside of our winding roadways. They are an adventure on their own (for the record, I firmly believe our roads were built by drunken road crews who spent their weeks inebriated as they pushed on through the bush, not knowing exactly where they were headed until the following Monday when the supervisor arrived and then pointed them straight for a couple of days).

Frankly, I think it's great. I really do. While there are those among us who probably toss muted obscenities and evil stares towards these good-natured, adventurous travellers, I'm not one of them, although I do admit motorbikes seem to be slightly noisier than art galleries and (most) canoes.

The real point to be made here is that we have people travelling into our area and I think they need to be welcomed, no matter if they're aurally subtle or not. This not only applies to motorcycles but the recent boat races on Head Lake in Haliburton and the increased ATV traffic on the rail trails. Conversely, there is always a spot here for the more quiet ones among us who don't announce their presence coupled with 1500ccs of piston pounding power.

While I like the freedom and autonomy a motorcycle represents, I've never quite understood. Not all bikes mind you, just certain ones that rhyme with Charlie. There's an odd irony to the perceived peaceful country ride, with the wind flowing through your hair and that breeze on your face, while noise from your machine is loud enough that deer are committing suicide. Is there not something odd about that?

I've also never really quite understood the need to accessorize with 400 lbs of luggage, air-conditioning, heated seats, a GPS unit and a large trailer to drag your computer and three changes of clothes for the trip which amounts to, for me at least, what we call a car.

Still I encourage you to carry on and I sincerely thank you for MAKING THE HIGHLANDS PART OF YOUR EXCURSION. This is a beautiful area and perfect for your brand of travel. In reality, the Highlands were made for this sort of thing. As far as paving goes, we're pretty good here. And you'll enjoy our bright yellow lines (note to the Highlands Tourism Office: This might work as a new slogan).

So for those out there in total disdain for our new influx of visitors to the area, you need to step back, take a deep breath (back away from the muffler first) and find yourself a silver lining, or some ear plugs.

Ultimately we need to find a nice middle ground, something we can all agree on, assuming a viable solution can indeed be found. How about solar-powered go-karts? That sounds about right.



By Charlie Teljeur

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Correction

In Team Sutton dominates powerboat races (The Highlander issue 200, page 27), the image's cutline identifies the subject as Brandon Sutton. The subject of the image is Wesley Hammond. The Highlander regrets this error.

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Editorial opinion

MPs can vote five ways

Dear editor,

I thank Jack Brezina for opening up the question of MP voting (see ‘Casting your ballot: nationally or locally’, The Highlander issue 200, page 4). This is a long overdue debate and a very important one (he also mentioned the question of how people generally vote for their candidate, but it requires a comment for a later date).

Brezina indicated there are two choices for MP voting, namely local or the party. But there are actually five choices that our federal (and provincial) representatives have. They can vote according to:

1. their conscience,
2. the majority views of those in their riding,
3. what they feel is best for their riding,
4. what they feel is best for the country (or province), or
5. the wishes of their leader (ie. the party).

The Westminster Parliamentary System works if MPs can freely exercise any of the five choices, depending on the situation. It should be noted under Westminster convention, the government (ie. the ministers and parliamentary secretaries) must show solidarity and are therefore bound by dictates from party leadership during votes. But backbenchers, at least theoretically, are supposed to be allowed to vote independently on all but confidence votes.

For example, for a vote on the budget, only the fifth option is acceptable, since a defeat on the budget means parliament does not support the government and an election would be called (unless an opposition party can win favour of parliament, in which case it becomes the ruling party). For a non-confidence vote, a backbencher should be able to vote altruistically according to the fourth choice –

what’s best for the country – unless it would be detrimental to his riding or run against his personal beliefs.

Unfortunately, under Harper’s Rules, the only choice is the fifth one (did Barry Devolin ever vote against the position Harper chose?).

The voting results would be the same if all Conservative MP’s were replaced by bobblehead likenesses of Harper or trained seals whose main function was to clap whenever the leader spoke and make noise whenever an MP from another party spoke. One should note the ‘trained seal’ label was used by Brent Rathberger, an ex-Conservative MP who resigned in protest to being told how to vote by the Prime Minister or by the Prime Minister’s Office, which is made up of unelected Prime Minister appointees (like Nigel Wright or Ray Novak).

This drift toward always voting the way the party leader wants has been going on for many years, but it has reached its zenith under Harper, where party solidarity is sacrosanct and anyone who disobeys will either be kicked out of the Conservative caucus or will not be allowed to run in the next election (since the party leader must sign off on each candidate’s acceptability).

We have in effect become an autocracy where the leader makes all decisions.

Those who drafted the *Magna Carta* would not be amused.

The *National Post* commented on this quite eloquently by stating: “In modern Canadian party caucuses, blind loyalty is valued over constructive criticism. Such loyalty is beneficial for promoting caucus solidarity. But it has a decidedly negative effect on an individual MP’s self-esteem, and is ultimately detrimental to both democracy and to good political decision-making.”

Finally, I have used Barry Devolin earlier as an example of one who always voted

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Photo by Gerry MacLennan

An osprey perches atop its roost.

as he was told. If that is incorrect, I would appreciate feedback from Devolin to set the record straight. Since he is no longer running for office he should be free to comment on what life was like in the Harper caucus without fear of reprisal.

Dennis Choptiany
Koshlong Lake

LETTERS
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Woolly buggers and wayward nets

So tell me, just how guilty are you meant to feel when you lose what would have been your buddy’s best bass of the year?

It’s a difficult question to answer for a number of reasons, I know. Firstly, you don’t know the buddy or his level of passion for fishing but I’ll get to that in a moment. Second, you don’t know the circumstances of the loss, the manner of the misplacement, so to speak. And third, you may not be a fisherman, and as such, may not give a flying fig about any kind of bass, trout or shark for that matter, be it big, small, fresh or canned.

This third reason is perhaps the clincher in the conundrum of just how guilty you would ultimately feel, but I urge you to put aside your feelings, or lack of them, for my piscatorial passion and equate the scale of my misdemeanor to a pastime you have an emotional connection to.

Say it’s golf and I accidentally kicked your ball away as it was teetering on the lip of the hole of the 18th green, ready to drop and give you your first-ever hole in one. Or, what if you’re a quilter and as you sew the last stitches to a quilt that has taken you months to complete, I sheepishly point to the baby’s name, whom I asked you to make the quilt

for, and which you have sewn into said quilt multiple times, and say, “sorry, but it’s not John, but Joan!”

You’re getting my drift now, eh?

And so, to take you back to my heinous crime. It was last weekend and I was out fishing with a friend of mine. Not just a friend though, the president of the local fly fishing club, a master hunter/angler and an esteemed outdoors writer whom I often look to for advice. Let’s give him a made up name, say something ridiculous like, ‘Reuben Hycede’, so as not to disclose his true identity.

And so, I’d taken old Hycede to what I like to think of as my very own secret lake. It’s one of those wonderful watery corners of our county which is mystically beautiful and stuffed full of largemouth bass. As the sun rose, the mist drifted across the lake like a shroud, slowly lifting to reveal a mirror of calm studded with small islands, overhung banks and stumps and logs poking mysteriously from the water.

“Oh man, this looks like it’s gonna be fun,” breathed my companion excitedly as we tied on our woolly buggers and pushed off from the dock. Every stump, every bay, every island looked like the perfect hiding place for a fish, maybe even that season defining fish.

And so they were. We fished for a good four hours, catching and releasing bass after bass, some big, others small, but all feisty and fun to connect with. Every so often one of us would hang up on a submerged branch and set the hook hard thinking, ‘this is the one!’ only for the other to snicker and make fun of ‘the look on your face,’ as we realized our error. But then it really did happen.

Almost as the morning was at a close and we headed back to the dock, Hycede hooked into something sturdy but this time, when he set the hook, the log pulled back.

“Whoa, this one feels big,” said Hycede with a serious look on his face. “Get ready with the net.”

I scrambled for the net in the bottom of the canoe and, nose resting against gunwale, I came face to face with a huge bass as it rose from the depths to pirouette beside the boat.

We both stopped breathing for a moment before all hell broke loose and the fish dove deep again.

“That’s my best fish of the season by far!” squeaked Hycede, “Oh, she’s a beauty,” as his rod tipped jagged first one way and then the other, the bass doing it’s damndest to escape. The fish needn’t have worried though because I manned the net. As it came up

again, slower this time, my fishing companion, this man born of woods and water, expertly brought it around for me to net.

I leaned over the edge of the canoe and promptly bumped the net rim into the fish, causing it to swirl and splash, and slip the hook. Gone.

The fish was lost. I was mortified.

After only a minute or two Hycede breathed again, the purple colour draining a little from his face. He lowered the paddle from above his head (he’d mysteriously grabbed it after my mishap and feigned an overhead axe chop that just missed me) and said: “No matter, we saw her and that counts for something. She would have made a great photo for my album but that’s OK. There’ll be other times...” His voice tailed off and we didn’t speak much on the way home.

Needless to say I feel rather guilty. Wouldn’t you?

My only solace... He is the columnist for The Other newspaper in town and we both know sometimes the rules have to be bent a little to get the best hook for a column!

TheOutsider



By Will Jones

Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: *How was your summer?*



Brett Hicks

Boshkung Lake

Well, it's a wonderful life.



Dennis Connolly & Krista Backhaus

Halls Lake

It was a pretty good summer. It seemed as if it was starting off slowly, but it took off and ended up being a great one.



Nadine Papp

Minden

Extremely busy, but lovely weather. Much better than last summer. Weather was great, people were great, but summer was short.



Scott Duggan

Camarvon

It was a busy one, both working and playing music. It's wild to think that it'll be over soon.



Wayne & Lynda Andrew

Lakefield

Wonderful. We discovered Minden, and have been going back and forth from our house in Lakefield to our cottage up here all summer.

Photos and interviews by Rob Lowes

Linda McQuig is right: Fossil fuels should stay in the ground

Dear editor,

Toronto Centre NDP candidate Linda McQuig's reiteration of climate scientists' call to leave most of the bitumen in the Alberta Tar Sands in the ground in order to meet greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets deserves honest discussion and debate in this election campaign. It does not deserve the empty rhetoric and partisan gamesmanship we've seen to date.

The truth is there's a huge gap between what climate scientists are saying about our growing climate crisis and what our political leadership, including the NDP, is proposing to do about it. McQuig should be congratulated, not reined in, vilified or ridiculed, for having the courage to raise the climate change implications of continued fossil fuel development. Tar Sands supporters seem to think we can continue to pump ever larger quantities of earth-warming chemicals into the atmosphere without any ecological consequences whatsoever. They are about to find out nature bats last.

The stakes involved are not simply the economic impact of ending our fossil fuel dependency on Tar Sands corporations and workers, the people and Government of Alberta, but something much, much higher than that: the entire climate system within which human civilization has flourished for the last 10,000 years or so.

Do we as a country have the capacity to rise above short-term economic and political self-interest to play a significant role in ending the fossil fuel dependency which has caused the carbon dioxide (CO2) concentration in our atmosphere to rise to over 400ppm? The signing of the UN Framework Agreement on Climate Change in 1992 was supposed to reduce the levels of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. Instead they've risen to the highest levels in over three million years.

This creates a huge and growing risk of runaway and irreversible change to Earth's climate system. Nothing less than the future of life on this planet hangs in the balance if we fail to stop denying we're in a greenhouse gas-induced climate crisis and start acting accordingly.

James Hansen, one of the world's

preeminent climate scientists, puts it this way in written testimony in support of a recent civil suit filed by young people against the U.S. Government for failure to protect their right to a life-sustaining climate: "It is now clear, as the relevant scientific community has established for some time, that continued high CO2 emissions from fossil fuel burning will further disrupt Earth's climate system, and that, in turn, will impose profound and mounting risks of ecological, economic and social collapse."

"In my view, our government's actions and inactions that cause or contribute to those emissions violate the fundamental rights of Sophie, other Youth, and future generations. Those violated rights include the right to life, the right to liberty, the right to property, the right to equal protection under the law, the right to government protection of public trust resources, and the right to retain a fighting chance to preserve a habitable climate system."

"Our government's persistent permitting and underwriting of fossil fuel projects serves now to further disrupt the favourable climate system that to date enabled human

civilization to develop. In order to preserve a viable climate system, our use of fossil fuels must be phased out as rapidly as is feasible. Only government can ensure this will be done. Instead, our government seeks approval for permitting of fossil fuel projects that would slam shut the narrowing window of opportunity to stabilize climate and ensure a hospitable climate and planet for young people and future generations. These projects only allow our government to shirk its duty. Our government's permitting of additional, new, or renewed fossil fuel projects is entirely antithetical to its fundamental responsibility to our children and their posterity. Their fundamental rights now hang in the balance."*

Of course, Hansen's comments apply with equal force to the Canadian government. With so much at stake we need to demand concrete science-based proposals for real action on climate change from our politicians during this election campaign. They need to stop pretending that business as usual, with its incessant demand for economic growth, is sustainable on a finite planet with a finite

atmosphere. They need to get on with figuring out how we can transition off fossil fuels as fast as our combined human ingenuity can get us there.

Politicians of all political stripes claim they have the best interests of both the current and future generations at heart. They should prove it by initiating an adult conversation during this campaign about the climate crisis and how we're going to survive it.

* Paragraphs 7 and 85 From James E. Hansen, written testimony in the matter *Xiuhtezcatl Tonatiuh M. et al. v. the United States of America et al.*, United States District Court, District of Oregon, filed August, 11, 2015 in New York City, New York. Hansen's entire written testimony can be found at this website: http://www.columbia.edu/~jeh1/mailings/2015/20150812_FINAL_HANSEN_DEC_FOR_US_DISTRICT_OREGON_9PM.pdf.

Terry Moore
VP Environment Haliburton,
Climate Reality Haliburton

Mike Perry responds to Jack Brezina re: accountability

Dear editor,

I will be a strong, local voice in Ottawa for us here at home.

What has been coming out of Ottawa has not been in line with what I hear from people locally. I want to make politics about people again. I have held open meetings across the riding, including in Haliburton, to get input into my campaign platform. I believe giving people opportunities, showing results, and making it fun and relevant, will get people involved in our democracy again. This way, debate will be fuelled and we'll avoid the traditional pitfalls of Ottawa you noted as I will have the weight of local opinion on my side.

I also believe in excellent customer service. As head of the Kawartha Lakes Family Health Team, service has been my

priority. Being accountable to staff and the public made us Employer of the Year. I hear from people at the doorstep their frustration with calls not being returned, non-answers in letters, and reasons for decisions not being given. I will bring outstanding customer service if given the honour of being our new Member of Parliament. Growing up in Fenelon Falls, with family roots in Kinmount and Norland, I know I will get input from people and be accountable as their representative!

The NDP also wants to change the voting system so every vote counts. Citizens would get two votes so we can vote for both the local candidate and party of our choice. This will go a long way to end the tension of choosing between party and candidate that you mention.

While "unquestioning subservience" may have been the way of the past governments,

we are only one election away from an open, new government that puts people first. We can have both the country and riding we want.

Mike Perry
NDP candidate
Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock

Editor's Note: This letter is published in response to our call for comment from the riding's federal candidates in response to Jack Brezina's column (see Casting your ballot: nationally or locally?, The Highlander issue 200, page 4). The Highlander put out an open invitation for candidates to respond to the column. So far only Mr. Perry has responded. We would be pleased to publish responses from the remaining candidates.

Highlander news

Seagull poop a problem

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Residents on Mountain Lake have added a new chore to their list of weekly errands.

About every four days, residents along the south shore of the lake deal with an excessive amount of seagull feces covering their shoreline, docks and boats.

In a letter to Minden Hills, Howard Clarke, president of the Mountain Lake Property Owners Association, said the problem has been ongoing for years and is now intolerable.

“There is now an immediate concern for the quality of the lake water and an alarm has been raised for the health concerns of local swimmers,” he wrote. “Some property owners are also becoming anxious about decreasing property values as the integrity of their lakeside lifestyle and quality of enjoyment are being directly threatened.”

Clarke attended the Aug. 27 Minden Hills council meeting alongside Mountain Lake resident George Steeves. The pair showed photos of docks and boats covered in seagull feces. They said the seagull population wasn’t as noticeable in years past, and attributed the increase of birds to poor management of the Scotch Line landfill site.

“A trip to the Scotch Line Landfill Site will attest to

their numbers and unhealthy behaviour,” wrote Clarke. “Household waste piled on the ground and in plain view is the obvious attraction. It has become, unfortunately, not only a bird sanctuary but a breeding ground for germs and vermin that are easily spread to other nearby properties. Thoughts of plague and disease come to mind when such a landscape is in full view for all to see.”

Environmental and property operations manager Ivan Ingram couldn’t confirm the gull population had increased but agreed a solution needed to be found.

“I’ve seen the pictures, and they’re not pretty,” he said. Ingram said staff had extensively researched the problem, and the various methods available to combat the issue. Options like sound blasting systems could pose health and safety issues for the landfill attendants, and having two predatory falcons onsite at the landfill twice a week would cost more than \$23,000 annually. According to Ingram, most fixes were temporary.

“It’s like anything else, they get used to it and they’re going to come back,” said Ingram.

The Scotch Line landfill is covered every other day to deter scavenging animals. Ingram said the township would do due diligence to deter the birds with steady covering of waste materials, and suggested property owners invest in a decoy to act as a visual deterrent at the affected spot.

Dysart sidewalk repairs to cost \$92K

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Pedestrians using Haliburton’s sidewalks can look forward to some future improvements.

On Aug. 24, Dysart councillors approved a bid from Fowler Construction to remove and replace the current sidewalk along Pine Avenue between Highland and George streets, and Victoria Street from Pine to Maple Avenue.

Maple Avenue from Park Street to Victoria Street, including the boulevard, were provisional items that will be included in the project.

Roads superintendent Brian Nicholson told Dysart councillors that the municipality issued six tenders and received two submissions. Fowler Construction came in

with the lowest bid at just under \$92,000.

“I’m also going to be talking to the contractor as to whether we can also do Victoria Street, from Maple in to Parklane [Apartments], but everything boils down to dollars and cents,” said Nicholson.

The department’s sidewalk budget is just shy of \$44,000. He suggested taking an additional \$48,000 from the emergency washout line to pay for the provisional repairs.

“Our plan was to start spending that money come September anyways,” he said.

Almost \$126,000 is currently in the line item for washouts caused by weather-related damage. Nicholson told the paper he put additional monies in the reserve this year for “contingency repairs.”

The deadline for the work to be completed is Oct. 15.

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Federal Election 2015



Voters give voice to election issues

The Highlander spoke with six county residents and asked them about the federal election issues important to them. The answers ranged from health care and dying with dignity to economic development and the environment.

Varouj Eskedjian, Haliburton

Background: president and CEO, Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS)

Topic: health care

Varouj Eskedjian says he's been following the election closely, but he hasn't heard much talk about health care.

"I'd like to start to hear more on where the parties' positions are on that," he said.

Eskedjian says for some time, several health associations have raised the importance of developing a national seniors' care strategy. This is also something that's on his mind.

"We all know that the population is aging, and that that cohort of people is actually going to expand significantly for the next number of years. But we also know, currently and certainly in the future, as that group expands, they are the biggest consumer of health services across the country," he says.

Eskedjian adds that a strategy is needed to determine how this aging demographic will be cared for.

"The province does the delivery, but the federal government has a significant role, in my opinion, in developing national standards and even fund a significant portion of health care."

He says a big focus for HHHS in the coming years will be caring for the senior population.

"For our county, this is even more important."

Barb Bolin, Eagle Lake

Background: community volunteer, past principal of the Haliburton School of the Arts

Topics: environment, food policy

Barb Bolin would like to see a food policy developed for Canada and is a proponent of a long-term plan for the environment.

"I think that for farmers and all of the issues that are coming up around food safety and health ... that Canada needs to develop a food policy. I think we need to look at what we import and how we scrutinize what we import, and how we encourage things to be grown in Canada."

Bolin is currently vice-president of the board at Abbey Gardens, which includes a community garden and food hub.

She would like to see research conducted into what can be grown and how that supply chain might work.

"Canada has policies for health, energy, education and all sorts of things, but I think we also need a food policy that can talk about the restrictions on what we import and how it's labelled," she said.

"I think it's a benefit to everywhere, to ensure [that] healthy food [is available]."

When it comes to environmental issues, she said, "we need to decide what direction we're going, and we're going to need to make that safe, affordable and reasonable for everyone involved."

"I would certainly like to see our federal politicians take a long-term view on that one. I feel sometimes that election issues become very short-term, with pop-up questions and pop-up answers."

Bolin recommended the implementation of a 50-year plan.

Rosemarie Jung, Haliburton

Background: manager, Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce

Topics: business, economic development

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce looked to the platform established by their national counterpart, the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, for guidance on economic issues in this election.

Local chamber manager Rosemarie Jung said the document is specific to items that are relevant in Haliburton County.

"When I take a look at these documents, a lot of the platform issues that have been identified for Canada, a lot of them are relevant to what we're doing here," she said.

The platform zeroes in on four elements: access to a powerful workforce, access to capital, access to technology and innovation, and access to markets.

Jung said the local chamber will ask candidates questions they've been given by the Canadian Chamber.

Gaining access to important information about labour markets, which was previously obtained through the long-form census, is one area of discussion.

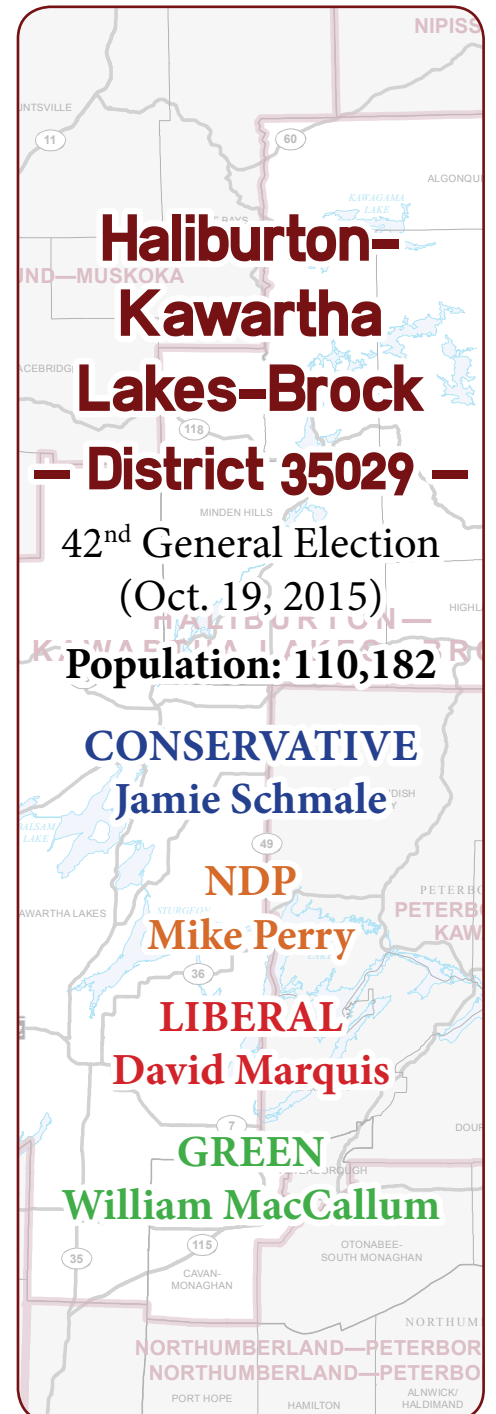
"The switch to a voluntary household survey has resulted in the loss of comparable, longitudinal, long-form data that seriously impairs our ability to track labour market changes and measure the effectiveness of our economic policies. Reinstating the mandatory long-form census will be a step in the right direction of investing in more and better labour market information," she said.

A lack of jobs and skilled labour continues to be an area of concern for local businesses.

"Without the skilled labour, then our businesses don't have the potential to generate as much revenue as they could potentially generate."

Jung adds that more tax incentives need to be offered to businesses.

The Chamber will distribute surveys to its members to find out what issues matter to them in this election.



Bob Stinson, Haliburton

Background: CARP chair

Topics: seniors' issues

The issues facing Canadian seniors today might not affect the younger generation, if Bob Stinson has anything to say about it.

The CARP (formerly known as the Canadian Association of Retired Persons) chair said CPP enhancement has been an issue being tackled by the organization. The group wants to see increased CPP contributions so benefits can be expanded. Provincially the group is making strides, and Canadian seniors are now looking federally for support, which could enable the project to be in place within a year.

"It becomes very obvious, 73 per cent of the population does not have a workplace pension plan," he said. "Between CPP and old age benefit, it's just not enough, and the youth can't save enough for this time. We want to level the playing field."

Stinson said there is sometimes a perception that seniors are selfish, but changes to the CPP plan wouldn't necessarily be ready in time to benefit the group that is fighting for it.

"We realize it's an issue because of the struggle we're having now, so we're doing this for the next generation," he said. "We want to show we're thinking beyond ourselves."

Another issue that affects seniors is end of life solutions and assisted dying regulation.

"There are people suffering terribly who have no hope of surviving," said Stinson. "Right now they don't have a choice. Families want this, they're asking, 'why are we making them suffer?'"

Stinson said he has been following the election campaign but hasn't heard any candidates speak about the issue of dying with dignity. Earlier this year, the Supreme Court unanimously ruled that physician-assisted death should not be prohibited.

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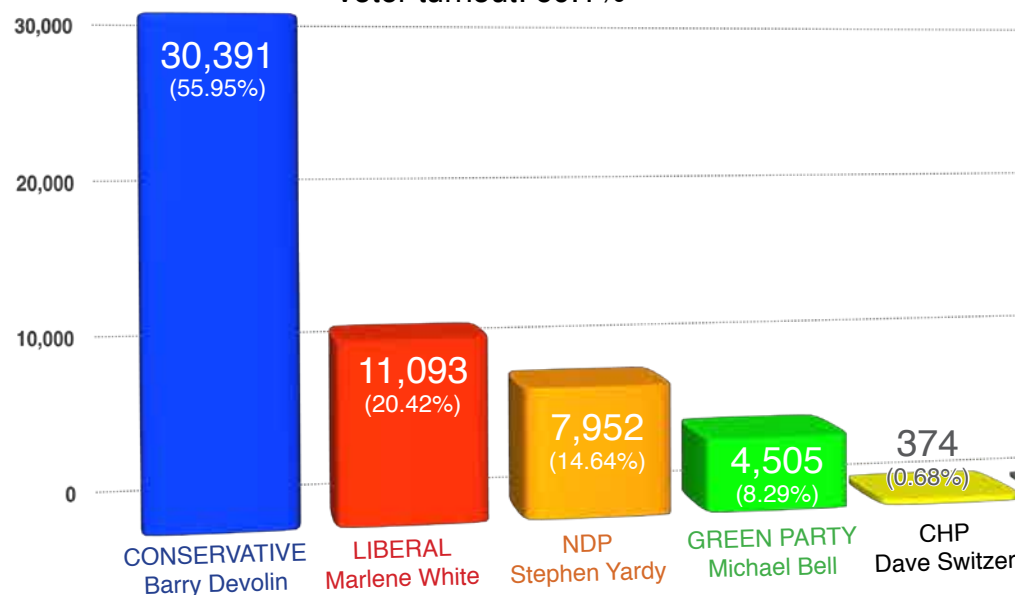


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(Oct. 14, 2008)

Riding Population: 119,141

Voter turnout: 60.1%

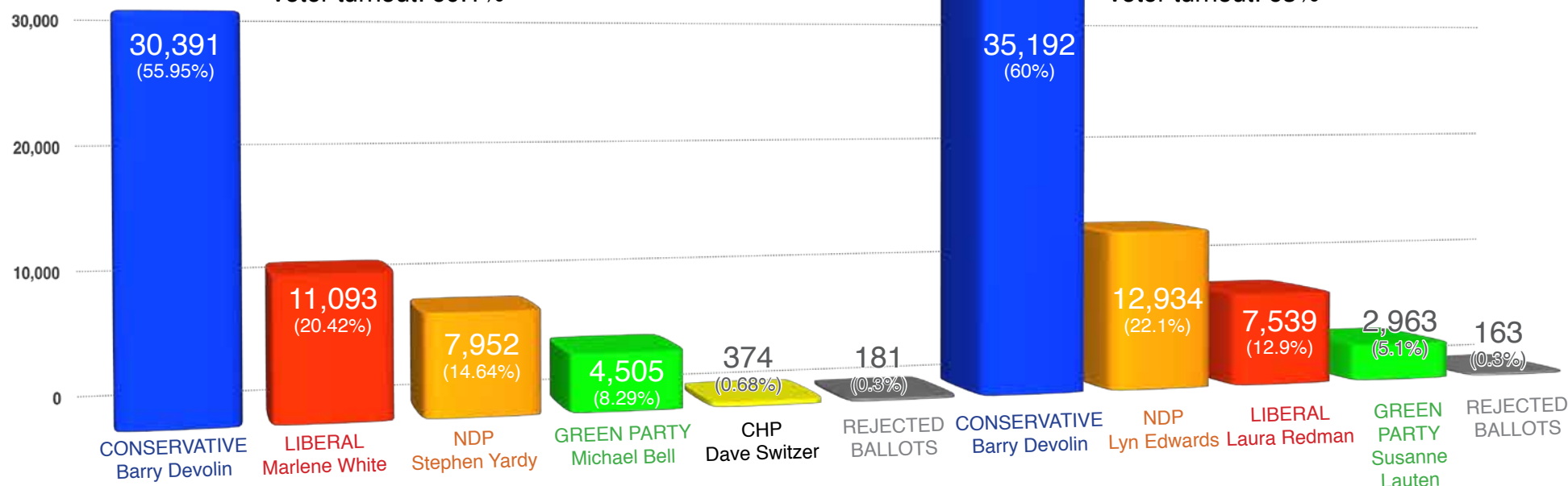


41ST GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

(May 2, 2011)

Riding Population: 119,141

Voter turnout: 63%



Heather Ross, Davis Lake

Background: Environment Haliburton board member, chair of the Haliburton Highlands BlueDot campaign, member of the rural transportation options committee
Topic: environmental policy

When it comes to environmental protection, Canada has been ranked dead last of 27 countries in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

"Of course people don't know that," said Heather Ross. "People look entirely shocked when I tell them. We do very badly on environmental policy. It's really obvious, and very embarrassing."

Ross is an Environment Haliburton board member and supporter of the Haliburton Highlands BlueDot campaign, which champions the right to a healthy environment.

Voters need to ask candidates about their environmental policy, stop being "colossal fossils" and look for a response to climate change.

"This election is as important as the free-trade election in the mid-80s," she said. "It's a really important one. If we don't begin to respect and care for the environment, the next four years are going to be pretty hard."

"We should be looking more long-term than every four years. The cost of climate change is going to vastly outweigh any short-term issues."

Ross said Canadians have to start supporting the role of science and civil servants.

She said there is pressure on civil servants to act against orders like the case of the conservation officer in Vancouver who received international attention when he refused to kill two bear cubs this year.

"They're being forced to give up their job to protect their science, or their science to protect their job," she said.

She noted an increase in environmental assessments with faulty data like the one approving the nuclear waste disposal site at the Bruce nuclear station.

"We're losing any ability to have any idea of what our environmental impact is," she said.

Noelle Russell and Paul Longo Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS)

Background: 2015 HHSS school president, HHSS civics teacher
Topics: youth vote and education

In October, Noelle Russell will be 18 and eligible to vote in a federal election for the first time.

The HHSS school president said students are concerned about the high cost of post-secondary school tuition. She said a teacher told her the cost of post-secondary tuition when they went to school was about \$1,700 for the year, but Russell knows students now who are paying \$14,000 per year for a business degree, and upwards of \$20,000 per year at the University of Toronto.

"It's ridiculous, it's extremely high," she said. "To get a job, you need to have post-secondary education, but it's not affordable."

Russell said high school students are also concerned about the environment, especially at HHSS where an enviro team has been formed.

"Our generation wants to turn it around," she said. "We have more technology to realize we're wrecking [the world], and we want to help it as much as we can."

The high school's civics teacher, Paul Longo, said teenagers are generally concerned with the environment, job creation, and education including tuition costs.

"That does not mean that they are not concerned with Canada's presence on the world stage [like] ISIS/Syria/Iraq, global terrorism or health care, etc.," he wrote in an email to The Highlander. "But those issues maybe do not register with their day-to-day concerns."

Longo said the use of social media encouraged students today to be more aware of the overall political picture than years past.

Russell stressed the importance of more education at the high school level to help students understand the political process and teach the skills necessary to vote.

"I don't even know where to vote or how to vote," she said. "I think we should be taught about how to make good decisions, and how to choose a candidate rather than having to rely on what we see on TV."

Federal Election All Candidates Meetings



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Highlander news

Minden council says no to solar farm

By Sue Tiffin

Staff writer

Despite changes to a proposed solar farm bid, Minden Hills councillors voted against supporting the project near the Allsaw Flats.

At the Minden Hills council meeting on Aug. 27, Algonquin Power Co. project manager Evan Koebel said the company had reworked the proposal based on public feedback, including the comments heard at an open meeting in July. The project was reduced in size and the vibrancy agreement was revised to offer more compensation to the township.

"We took each and every point and tried to figure out how to make it a better fit in the community," said Koebel.

In a delegation to council the morning of the vote, Koebel said the project would be reduced in size from 300 to 87 acres, would have reduced visibility to nearby property owners and an acre of forest would be planted for every acre of forest removed. Algonquin

Power would create a community vibrancy fund paying \$2,000 per megawatt annually.

We took each and every point and tried to figure out how to make it a better fit in the community.

Evan Koebel

project manager,
Algonquin Power

"Today climate change is arguably the biggest obstacle man has faced," said Koebel. "We understand that there is no zero impact development, but taken as a whole the project would in my opinion be a clear net benefit to the environment by providing clean power to thousands of Ontario

homes and thereby reducing significant greenhouse gas emissions.

Councillor Lisa Schell questioned Koebel about the long-term stability of the project. Councillor Pam Sayne quoted the dictum, "the solution to pollution is dilution."

The solar farm project required support at the municipal level to elevate the possible acceptance of the project through the Independent Electricity System Operator's large renewable procurement process.

Koebel said even without municipal support, Algonquin Power would submit the proposal to the IESO and await results later this year.

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1. Receive Presentations from Bidders Re: Landfill Attendant Services – Tender #EPO 15-005
2. Receive a delegation from Abundant Solar Energy Inc. Re: Request for Council Support Resolution – Proposed Solar Projects and Presentation of One New Proposed Solar Project
3. Consider a Request from the Planning and Development Committee Re: Creation of a Renewable Energy Task Force and Approval to proceed with the advertising/recruitment for members.

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Highlander news

Plug pulled on power station proposal

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

After weeks of emotional public meetings and discussions, Minden Hills councillors voted unanimously against a second power generating station near the Horseshoe Lake Dam and Wild Water Preserve.

The dam proposal fell under the Independent Electricity System Operator’s (IESO) large renewable procurement process. Orillia Power Generation Corporation (OPGC), which currently owns and operates the Minden generating station located on the Gull River, required support from the municipality by Sept. 1 to move the project along. A public meeting was held in July to collect feedback from residents.

“I cannot in good conscience support the Orillia Power proposal at several levels,” said councillor Jeanne Anthon. “I believe the provincial government process through the IESO is flawed and irresponsible in offering unrealistic financial incentives

to companies and households to install renewable energy household projects.” She said she felt the payback was “pie in the sky.”

Councillor Lisa Schell said in her nine years as a municipal representative, the issue generated more emails and phone calls from constituents than any other project.

Reeve Brent Devolin became emotional during the voting process.

“It’s important stuff,” he told The Highlander. “And that we could speak with a singular voice when it could have been split.”

The reeve said the timeframe, constraints and deadlines had been troubling, and he had not slept very much prior to the vote.

“We’re obviously disappointed in the decision,” Orillia Power president and CEO Keith McAllister told The Highlander. “Someone told me once that one out of every 10 projects will succeed. This is not that one. It is what it is, and we’ll move forward.”

McAllister said Orillia Power looked forward to continuing to work with and support the community.

The Whitewater Ontario Board voted yes to further discussion and grant building access to Orillia Power, depending on the vote from council. The decision from the Whitewater Ontario Board was not unanimous.

“No matter what one’s perspective is on the issue, there are clearly a large number of people who care deeply about the Gull,” wrote Whitewater Ontario president Jim Taylor.

In the days leading up to council’s decision, Minden Hills residents Jim and Bernie Davis rallied the community together on a Facebook page called “Save Minden White Water Rapids.” The page gathered almost 700 ‘likes’ in 56 hours.

“It became almost overwhelming, the amount of people that were contacting us,” said Jim.

The Davises presented as a delegation at council the morning of the vote.

Supporters filled the seats of the council chambers and applauded the Davises throughout their presentation.

“Are you the council who is ‘on this watch’ to keep Minden Hills special?” asked Bernie. “Is talk just hollow about making things better unless you guard and retain the treasures we already have?”

“Do we expect someone else to save these rapids? It’s ours to keep, but yours to squander. There is a reason robbers need to be quick. This feels to us like robbery with inside help. “

After the proposed project was dismissed, Bernie said the pair were relieved with the decision of councillors and said she was both emotional and impressed to see democracy in action.

“The decision today leads us to a healthier discussion; now we’ll be able to actually talk,” she told The Highlander.

“History will prove that it wasn’t a wasted effort.”

Carnarvon loses only post office

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The Carnarvon post office is no more.

Last week postal box holders were notified the Canada Post outlet would no longer be servicing the public. The outlet was located within Cottage Country Building Supplies (formerly known as Carnarvon Castle True Value) off Highway 35. The closure is a result of the store owner’s decision to not enter into a new contract with Canada Post.

A letter provided to box holders states: “Please note, that as of Aug. 28, retail postal services and mail delivery will no longer be available at the postal counter at the Carnarvon Castle lumber store. In order to maintain local delivery, Canada Post will be replacing your current

delivery service by P.O. box with a community box located at The Hub Esso.”

Included with the letter was a key to the temporary community box. Parcels too big for the box will be sent to the Canada Post outlet in West Guilford.

The current contract with Canada Post was signed by the former store owner and just recently expired, said store owner Kim Emmerson. He told The Highlander a post office wasn’t part of his vision for the business.

“We chose not to enter into a new contract,” said Emmerson, adding the decision was made in March after he purchased the business.

“We didn’t feel it was a good fit for the type of business that we have. It’s more suited – in rural locations – to a convenience store or gas station that’s

open long hours.”

Although the outlet was located within the Township of Minden Hills, Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt said many residents in her township used the service.

“I think people will get used to it, but I think it’s unfortunate that there was no interest in maintaining the postal services,” she said. “But I’m not surprised.”

Moffatt explained all of the small post offices have disappeared from the community over the years.

“There were 12 [in Stanhope] – they’re all gone. Carnarvon was the last one.”

According to historical information obtained from Moffatt, the Carnarvon post office was established in 1867. The first postmaster was Andrew Barnum.

Other full-service Canada Post locations are available in Haliburton and Minden.

The Highlander tried to reach Eugene Adamo, local area manager for Canada Post, for comment, but did not receive a response as of press time.



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Kim Emmerson
owner, Cottage Country Building Supplies

New bill improves road safety: OPP

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Hawley said he hopes the changes will reduce distracted driving in the county.

“Pull over to the side of the road or into a parking lot to answer the phone or text.”

Other changes include a new ‘dooring’ law, which penalizes drivers for opening their car door into the path of a cyclist.

“It’s also sharing the road,” said Hawley. “People are now required to keep one metre between the motor vehicle and a bicycle on the roadway.”

Cyclists are also impacted by Bill 31, which requires them to have proper lighting on their bikes during the night, at dusk and dawn.

“It’s going to affect our cycling community,” he said.

In a further attempt to make the highways

safer, Bill 31 requires drivers to move over and slow down when passing not only emergency vehicles on the side of the road with their lights on, but also tow trucks.

Hawley said he has personally had close calls with vehicles at the scene of an accident or during a traffic stop.

“Being on the side of a roadway on a traffic stop or accident scene, officers need to be aware of their surroundings,” he said. “I’ve seen accidents happen at accident scenes and I’ve had a few near misses myself when people aren’t moving over.”

Not adhering to the law could result in a set fine of \$490.

We don’t make the laws, we enforce them,” Hawley said. “But we enforce them with the primary goal towards making the highway safer for everyone that’s using it.”

OPP in brief

Police charge two men with impaired driving

A single vehicle rollover resulted in more than an insurance claim for one man from Niagara Falls.

Members of the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment responded to the incident on Aug. 28 just after 7:30 p.m. The rollover happened on Highway 35 near Hounsell Lane in Minden Hills. Police determined the driver, 43-year-old Daniel Ouellet, had been consuming alcohol. They arrested him at the scene and brought him to the detachment for further tests.

As a result, Ouellet, who did not sustain any injuries in the rollover, was charged with impaired driving and driving with more than 80 mgs of alcohol in 100 ml of blood.

In a separate incident, 61-year-old James Conn of Dysart et al was found to be driving under the influence of alcohol after a traffic stop on Aug. 28, just after 7:30 p.m.

The stop occurred on Hodgson Road in Dysart. According to the OPP, Conn was pulled over for a traffic infraction, though they did not specify what the driver had done. After conducting the stop, it was determined the driver had been drinking and he was brought to the detachment for further tests.

As a result, Conn was charged with care and control while impaired, and care and control over 80 mgs of alcohol in 100 ml of blood.

Both men are scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Oct. 7.

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Union seeks more health care spending

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

The Ontario Council of Hospital Unions (OCHU) is launching a campaign to keep both health care facilities in Haliburton and Minden open.

In a press release, OCHU, the hospital division of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), addressed recent comments made by Varouj Eskedjian, president and CEO of Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS), regarding sustaining two hospital sites in the long-term.

"It [his comments] suggested to us that what's coming to the communities is the potential closure of one of those ERs, one of those hospitals, one of those long-term care facilities," OCHU president Michael Hurley told the media on Aug. 28.

Hurley pointed out the province is in the fourth year of a five-year funding freeze for hospitals.

"The provincial government has made a very conscious political decision to have the lowest rate of public taxation of any state or province in North America. As a result, it's got a revenue problem and one of the ways it's dealing with its revenue problem is that it has frozen effectively hospital funding for a five-year period," he said.

Although Hurley admits community hospitals in rural and remote areas will see a one per cent funding increase, he says it isn't enough to keep up with rising costs.

"Their costs are increasing by about five per cent, so in fact there's incredible budget pressures going on at Haliburton Highlands Health Services. These budget pressures get more and more intense."

Over the past year, the two hospital sites have had nearly 26,000 visits combined. The long-term care facilities – Highland Wood and Highland Crest – are at capacity with a year-long waiting list for a bed.

Eskedjian issued a statement to the media prior to Hurley's press conference in which he called this "an exciting time in Haliburton County as Haliburton Highlands Health Services is working with partners to deliver health services for the

Highlands community."

"There is no doubt we have changed. We are more than just a hospital and two homes operating at two sites in Minden and Haliburton taking care of people only when they are injured, sick or need long-term care. Our new Strategic Plan speaks to growing our services locally, working with our partners to promote health, and keeping people well to enable them [to] stay in their homes for as long as possible," he said.

Eskedjian added his organization is "committed to exploring ways of improving and sustaining" services to "meet the needs of a growing and aging population."

He has committed to consulting with the local communities throughout a planning process.

"When you put that in the context of his earlier comments, where he said that because of the federal health transfer cuts they're anticipating to Ontario there will be cuts in health care funding on top of what's already happened, the way I read that is that the institution will be expected to deliver hospital long-term care, emergency and community care with existing resources," responded Hurley.

Hurley made it clear this isn't a fight between the union and hospital management.

"We think they've been put in a box, actually, by the provincial government in terms of their funding."

As early as October, Hurley anticipates OCHU and CUPE will host community meetings in Haliburton and Minden, and encourage lobbying efforts at Queen's Park. They've been working with the Ontario Health Coalition to further the process.

"What we'll be doing is asking the public if they would support an effort to lobby and clamour for increased resources for the hospitals and long-term care facilities here."

They plan on doing the same thing in communities "where hospital services are threatened," he added.

In June, dozens of health care workers from across southern Ontario attended rallies at both sites. The purpose of the visit was to demand adequate funding from the provincial government.

Glebe Park proposed for ball diamond

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

Dysart is working with the Glebe Park committee to move the town's ball diamond to Glebe Park.

Reeve Murray Fearrey raised the possibility to council during an Aug. 24 meeting.

"That site isn't new," said Fearrey. "It's part of 10 acres that was allotted to the municipality."

The current ball diamond is located between A.J. LaRue Arena and the municipal building.

The main reasons to consider moving the diamond include drainage problems and a lack of parking space for the arena, curling club and legion, according to Ray Miscio, director of parks and recreation. Balls have caused damage to nearby cars and buildings, which has also been a problem.

Fearrey said staff looked at other alternatives, such as the high school, but it doesn't have lighting or washrooms for players.

Deputy-reeve Andrea Roberts, who sits on the committee, said her fellow members weren't thrilled about the idea

because it wasn't in line with their vision or plan for the park.

Municipal staff recently met with members of the committee at the site to quell some of their concerns.

"Their first choice is to not have it there at all, but I think the members that were able to come see that the location suggested is the best compromise possible," Roberts told The Highlander. "I would say they are accepting, not supporting [it]."

It was noted the new diamond wouldn't be regulation size.

Fearrey told the paper Glebe Park was identified as a potential site six years ago.

"I think we just need to work together and get it done," he told council during the meeting.

In her email, Roberts pointed out the Glebe Park committee wouldn't be meeting again until October and she wasn't sure if the item would be brought up at the September council meeting.

"Either way there will be no work done to the existing ball diamond until the end of the season," she said.



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Highlander business



Photo by Ashley Campbell

The Highlander team celebrates their 200th issue on Aug. 28. From left are Matthew Desrosiers, Simon Payn, April Martin, Austin McGillion, Bram Lebo, Walt Griffin, Heather Kennedy, Mark Arike, Lisa Harrison, Rob Lowes, Cheryl McCombe, Ben Davis, and Dawn Poissant. In the front are Sue and Justin Tiffin. Absent from the photo are columnists Charlie Teljeur, George Farrell, Jack Brezina, and Will Jones.

The Highlander celebrates 200 issues

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

From county news to sports, events, and everything in between, The Highlander has spent the last four years telling the community's stories.

On Aug. 27, the paper hit yet another milestone – it published its 200th issue.

"Every day I'm amazed at what our team has achieved," said The Highlander's owner and publisher, Bram Lebo. "It's a privilege to serve this community and

we're grateful for the support from our readers and advertisers."

The team celebrated with an open house at their new office on Aug. 28, located in the Haliburton Village Barn, facing Highland Street. Visitors were treated to cake, refreshments, and pizza from Into the Blue Bakery.

Richard Garvey provided musical entertainment on the patio outside of the office.

Lebo said the paper's ongoing success is

thanks to the community's support.

"It just goes to show that good journalism and hard work can make a difference," he said. "If we've proven one thing with The Highlander, it's that newspapers and small communities still have a lot of life in them."

The open house was also an opportunity for the paper to say goodbye to two young employees, Ben Davis and Austin McGillion, who will begin their post-secondary studies later this month.

New place to get inked in Minden

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

When Tommy Tucker walked around the town of Minden, he could see a lot of tattooed people but not one tattoo parlour.

This will change on Sept. 3 when Tucker hosts the grand opening of Highlands Studio and Ink Works, a new shop located at 104 Bobcaygeon Road.

The former Toronto resident has been a tattoo artist for a decade, with experience on more than 200 people. When he saw an opportunity to start fresh in Haliburton County, he took it.

"Everything is brand new," he said. "From the containers that hold ink cups to the container to take used needles to the hospital to the massage table to do back work."

Tucker said becoming a tattoo artist was a

natural evolution from his interest in art class as a student. He worked on creating designs, and then moved to using needles on bananas and plantains, a common practice for tattoo artists in training. Tucker also practiced on fake skin – a 4x6 sheet of rubber – before his brother acted as guinea pig and let Tommy help him cover up a previous tattoo.

"My confidence just built up," he said. "When people noticed how good the artwork was, I became more confident so I could take on more challenging and detailed pieces."

Tucker can create artwork from scratch for his clients, and he also has a collection of drawings for those who know they want a tattoo, but aren't sure of what they want. The store officially opened on Sept. 2, but Tucker said quite a few people have come in to take a look at samples of his work and also at the

local photography highlighted on the walls.

"Downtown is actually quite busy," he said. "It's actually quite the happening little area."

He said trends include 3D art and wording, and although some negative stereotypes linger, tattoos are for anyone. He once had a lawyer roll up his sleeves to show full body art under his suit.

"It is an art form," said Tucker. "A lot of people wear it on their bodies. When people have meaning behind tattoos, it does help to get to know that person, and that's when my artwork really comes out. When the finished product is on their body and looks the way they want it to, that's the reason I do it."

Highlands Studio and Ink Works is open Wednesday to Sunday, from noon to 8 p.m. Clients at Tucker's shop have to be 18 or older, or have permission from their parents.



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Highlander business

Limberlost for sale as owners retire

By Sue Tiffin

Staff writer

The owners of Limberlost have always stood by their statement of quality, and now that passion for high standards continues as they search for new owners.

After building the furniture company from a post-retirement woodworking hobby, Richard and Carolynne Graesser are ready to retire again. The company and its location on Highway 35 are up for sale.

"We're looking for a unique person," said Carolynne. "You have to have the energy level to do the sales, an entrepreneurial mind, financial ability and a passion for what this is about."

For years, Carolynne said her husband Richard has been the face of Limberlost.

It all began in the basement of their cottage on Percy Lake, where they meant to retire from their computer systems analyst positions in 1987. Richard began building garden furniture and then started selling it through local stores. Before long, he had hired employees, and their full basement had turned into a shop.

"He's incredibly bright and driven," said Carolynne. "He doesn't believe in 9-5. He's 24 hours a day. In the middle of the night, he'd nudge me and say, 'I just thought of something.'"

The business was incorporated in March 1998, named for a book cherished by their daughter. Sales continued soaring. Limberlost

products were sold throughout Ontario, in the United States and overseas in Europe and Asia. Resorts and breweries began purchasing Limberlost furniture for their promotions.

"[Richard is] so enthusiastic, he just has amazing enthusiasm about the product," she said. "If you don't get it yourself, he's going to make you wonder why you didn't."

After a stint in Fort Irwin, the Graessers had the opportunity in 2002 to have a building designed and built for them in its current location on Highway 35.

Over the years, Limberlost has changed with the times. The company eventually brought in plastic products alongside their cedar furniture line to meet customer demand.

"I fought it very hard," said Carolynne.

"So, there's a place for wood and a place for plastic. I said if we were going to carry plastic, we were going to carry the top-end material."

They also brought in a computer numerical control machine to help manufacture their products.

"Our core product and core purpose, none of that's changed," said Carolynne. "We wouldn't make anything we wouldn't have ourselves. We don't believe in a disposable society. In 10 to 15 years you will still have that piece. It's just what we believe in."

Long-time employees include Lynne Bertrand and Cory Bull, who Carolynne credits as being loyal and dedicated hard workers. Bull started with the company just a month after they opened in Minden in 2002.



Photo by Sue Tiffin

Limberlost in Minden has been put up for sale.

"I can't imagine anyone having the drive they have had over the years," he said. "They've certainly put a lot into this place."

Carolynne said Richard would still be at the company on a daily basis if not for health issues. She hopes to possibly continue working at the store even after it's sold for just

a few days a week so she can have more time to support Richard, her husband of 53 years.

"I still really, really strongly would like to see someone carry it on," said Carolynne. "Not just because it's our baby, but because it's an excellent product."



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Highlander business

Back to school leaves stores short-staffed

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

The second last week of summer in the Highlands is generally the first of two weeks when heavy consumer traffic begins to decline and seasonal staff returns to school. This year, businesses around the county noted the week was much busier than in years past.

“If that’s a trend, it’s very interesting,” said Chamber of Commerce manager Rosemarie Jung.

As the seasonal traffic tapers off, Jung said businesses in the area can usually comfortably rearrange their staffing as high school students prepare to go back to school and college students prepare to leave the area. Last week proved difficult for some businesses which had to manage unexpectedly high traffic with less staff.

“We’re often held captive to our students leaving, and rightfully so, as they need to get to college in different communities and get settled,” she said. “It’s typically a struggle for business to have a staff complement in place and it’s a double-edged sword when business continues as usual.”

Kawartha Dairy warehouse manager Dwayne Warburton said the staff in the warehouse noticed an increase in sales compared to years past.

“We saw there seemed to be more people around and it was busier,” he said.

Warburton hired seven students on for the

summer, but several of the staff members have decided to continue working rather than return to school.

“Some aren’t going back because they want to earn more money for school,” said Warburton.

Warburton said this is good news for the dairy as long-term employees are preferable to avoid needing to retrain staff each summer.

McKee’s staff manager Karen Frybort hires an additional 12 staff members each summer and many return to school in the fall.

“It’s an adjustment, it’s a bit of a stress on everyone who remains, because we’re tired too at the end of the summer,” she said.

She said her seasonal staff worked hard during a very busy summer. Some wanted as many hours as possible to help pay for tuition, including one server who was new to the hospitality industry.

“She easily could have curled into a fetal position on the floor and said, ‘I can’t handle this,’ but she slugged it out and worked very hard because she wanted to make money,” said Frybort.

Frybort said her staff was prepared to experience a rush at the end of summer because of the September Labour Day.

“We were clued in, we had a feeling, so we were ready,” she said. “We just smiled through it and kept going.”

After 23 seasons, Frybort has seen many



Photo by Sue Tiffin

Kristen McKee of Eagle Lake spent the summer working at The Dominion Hotel.

seasonal staff through the busy summers and through their post-secondary years. She said she keeps in touch with many of them. When she asked one staff member if she might return after finishing her last year of college, Frybort knew it was coming when the staff member told her she hoped to have a ‘real job’ then.

“That’s a little bittersweet,” she said.

“This is a real job for us here. It allows us

to live here year-round. But I understand, she wants something in her field.”

Frybort hopes the seasonal employees take with them the strong values they’ve learned as staff in a busy restaurant during a high-traffic time and can apply it to their post-schooling lives. She said the positions left open after seasonal staff leave are sometimes still available to anyone in the community looking to work.



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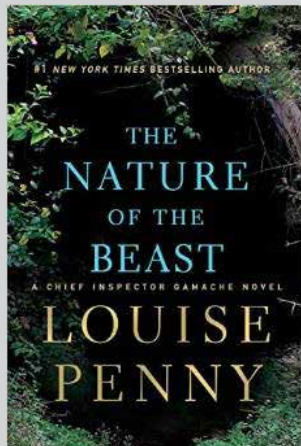
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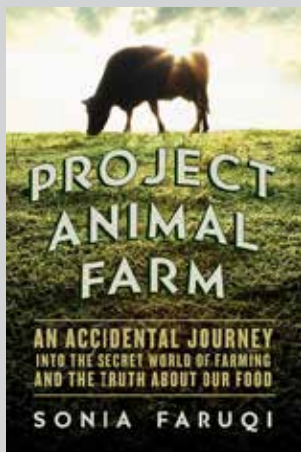
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What's Up

The Valentine Grand Piano



By George Farrell

There was a time, not so very long ago, when the entertainment centre of a home was wherever the piano was located. In most households at least one member played, and many a night was spent around the piano singing and having fun. Not so much anymore unfortunately; first television and then the digital age pushed the piano to the entertainment background.

Most of the old pianos were uprights which, for the most part, have been replaced in musical families by smaller and lighter keyboards. Not very many people owned a grand piano. They are so immense and difficult to move that they've been primarily used in theatres, as performance instruments for concert musicians.

I've always thought it fascinating to hear the tales and provenance of musical instruments as they are passed down to different owners through the generations, so it was with much interest that I listened to friend and fellow writer Neil Campbell, who contacted me recently about a story he thought that I might be interested in. It concerned a grand piano.

The piano he was talking about belongs to his wife Sandy. She now resides in Highland Crest, the long term care facility in Minden, and she is no longer able to play the instrument. Neil told me that with the help of Sandy's daughter Lisa Schmauder, he has been busy moving possessions out of the house in Moore Falls. It's the house that Sandy and former husband William (Bill) had lived in since the 1960s. Bill Valentine passed away in 2005 and the house, which has been sitting vacant for some time, will be put on the market. The grand piano is all that's left now, sitting forlornly in the living room. Neil gave me Schmauder's number because he said that she could tell the background story best.

"Both my parents were very musical," Schmauder said when I talked to her recently. "Mom had her diplomas from the Royal Conservatory in Toronto and dad, who was a teacher at the Haliburton high school, picked up music without any classical training. Mom taught music up here and dad, who had a great voice, helped out in the high school musical performances. At home they would sit at the piano and play and sing. It was a wonderful experience to be a part of."

"The piano was a symbol of everything good that took place in our household," Schmauder said. "And now that mom can no longer play, it needs to go somewhere where it will be played and loved."

Enter Neil Campbell and also our mutual friend Shawn Chamberlin, owner of the Grill on the Gull restaurant in Minden. He picked up the story.

"In a conversation with Neil he told me that he was cleaning out Sandy's house and had to move the grand piano somewhere," Chamberlin said. "Very few people play

pianos anymore and nobody seems to want them. But I always wanted a grand for atmosphere in the Grill, and I told him I might be interested. It's a Chopin Grand – a good piano. It was Sandy's pride and joy, and as we talked they (Lisa and Neil), made it possible for me to have the piano."

Another reason that few people want grand pianos is the cost of moving and maintaining them. Chamberlin will be paying for the difficult move of the piano which is presently located in the living room on the second level of the Moore Falls house. But the story will not end once the instrument is relocated to the Grill on the Gull.

"All musical instruments need to be played," said Chamberlin, who has been regularly entertaining diners on his keyboard.

Now he'll have Sandy's grand piano to tickle the ivories on. He also plans to bring more piano players to the Grill to play during special occasions, so it sounds like Sandy's grand will be played regularly in the future.

But her legacy will not end there.

"Nowadays we're not encouraging our kids to play piano, so I want to create a scholarship for piano lessons for a local youth who shows promise," Chamberlin said. "The scholarship will be in Sandy's name and will be in honour of all the care and love she put into the piano."

The person in the background through all this is Neil Campbell who, in his gently persuasive manner, brought things together.

"Neil is an amazing person," Schmauder said. "And whereas mom and dad were so passionate with their music, Neil has a different artistic side. I think the piano moving to the Grill on the Gull is wonderful, and mom would be thrilled and delighted with the bursary fund."

Sandy Valentine has been an important member of our community. She gave piano lessons for many years, taught school at the primary level, was a choir leader and organist and has been a strong supporter of the arts. So although she can no longer play, her passion for music will live on through her most treasured possession – her grand piano.

Lisa Schmauder now lives in St Catharines and she can't get up to the Highlands as often as she'd like to, but she said that as soon as Chamberlin is ready to reveal the piano she would be up to see her mom and also to see and hear the instrument.

I too will be going to the Grill on the Gull for the occasion and I know when I hear the first tones of that magnificent grand piano my thoughts will be of Sandy and Bill singing and playing their hearts out while the rest of the family, including a young Lisa, sit spellbound and smiling with the sheer magic of the occasion.

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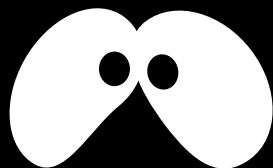
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Highlander arts



By Mark Arike

Figaro belts out high notes in the Highlands

After weeks of hard work, the Highlands Opera Studio (HOS) delivered its production of *Le Nozze Di Figaro* to audiences at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Four performances of the Mozart classic were held from Aug. 30 to Sept. 3. The opera was double cast with members of the HOS, a professional training program that has been held in Haliburton since 2007. Pictured above, Figaro (Jan Vaulik) listens as his bride-to-be, Susanna (Valerie Belanger), sings to him.



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Photo submitted by Brandon Jarvis

This photo shows part of the collection of empty cans and bottles collected from the roadside that earned Brandon Jarvis nearly \$400.

Family collects nearly \$400 in roadside bottles

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Motorists might have wondered what a pregnant woman clad in rubber boots and trudging in the ditches next to the highway was doing this past spring.

Her name is Brandon Jarvis, and she and her family spent months collecting cans and bottles that others have discarded along the road in Haliburton County.

“At first we just walked for exercise,” she said. “We didn’t think a lot about it.”

During a walk with friends, her kids noticed bottles by the side of the road. Jarvis pointed out that each bottle represented 10 cents and the kids started picking them up. They learned new math skills by counting bottles and estimating earnings.

“It’s an incredible way to teach our kids the value of a dollar and to spend time as a family while out getting fresh air and exercise, to

help clean up the area where we live, and to make a little extra money,” she said.

It soon became a sort of addiction for Jarvis, her partner Mark Stamp, and their four kids, who made bottle collecting in West Guilford and Haliburton part of their regular family time walks. They collected in the spring from April to the end of June while the weather was mild and the debris was most visible. Jarvis said their purposeful walks are often filled with laughter. The kids sometimes bring fishing nets to collect the bottles, jump over puddles and make up names for their finds, like ‘a Bud in the mud,’ and ‘a Busch in the bush.’

“Mark quickly saw the value in my strange hobby and knowing how much I loved going, he was always up to join me,” said Jarvis. “When he asked me what I wanted for Mother’s Day, I told him I wanted a weekend of ‘unlimited bottle hunting’. We spent hours

out that weekend.”

By the end of the ‘bottle hunting season,’ Jarvis said they had collected \$394.60 worth of beer and liquor cans and bottles. The family will use the money to help fund a trip to La Ronde amusement park in Montreal.

“I want them to connect the money that we earned bottle hunting to some really fun family time,” she said. “That way, next year when the bottle hunting season is back on, they’ll be eager to put their boots on and head out with me again.”

One night, Jarvis and her then 11-year-old daughter Emma Boutin walked for an hour and a half around the Harburn Road area.

“We walked about four kilometres and our garbage bags were busting open. We literally couldn’t carry them anymore,” she said. “And on the return trip, we passed at least another bag full.”

Jarvis said the bottle collecting walks might

be more lucrative and community-orientated for youth organizations in the area than bottle drives. She feels guilty for not picking up more litter, despite sometimes clearing areas of three or four garbage bags of debris.

“It was shocking at first,” she said. “Sadly, I’m not at all surprised by the amount we find now. I don’t litter. We teach our kids not to litter. I can’t believe how many people still do.”

Though a positive pastime for the family, Jarvis noted the amount of alcohol bottles along the side of the road suggests an even greater problem than littering in the community. Many of the bottles were found near hunting camps and on the way into downtown areas, potentially from drunk drivers who toss the evidence prior to getting to more populated spots.

“Far too many people still drink and drive,” she said.

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Left: Minden residents young and old participated in last year's Terry Fox Run in Minden. Right: Haliburton Terry Fox Run coordinator Jennifer Button puts up posters throughout the village in hopes of attracting new participants this year.

Two towns, one cause: Terry Fox Run marks milestone

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

It's a special year for the Terry Fox Run.

Thirty-five years ago, Fox dipped his artificial leg into the Atlantic Ocean and embarked on the Marathon of Hope. The Manitoba native ran 5,375 kilometres over the course of 143 days before cancer spread to his lungs, forcing him to bow out of his cross-Canada fundraiser for cancer research awareness.

On June 28, 1981, the iconic Canadian figure passed away just one month shy of his 23rd birthday.

Since his passing, over \$650 million has been raised worldwide for cancer research.

Over the years, the Haliburton Highlands has contributed to that pot of money by participating in the annual Terry Fox Run. The two communities of Haliburton and Minden have raised an astounding \$363,000 for the Terry Fox Foundation.

And on Sept. 20, both towns will once again rally around this worthwhile cause.

A participant of the event and now coordinator of the Haliburton run, Jennifer Button strongly believes in the cause.

"I've participated in the Terry Fox Run in

the past, and just love what it represents," said Button, who became the event organizer following Walter Tose's departure from the role. "I didn't want to see it disappear from the community."

The event got its start in 1982. Since then, it has raised \$131,000.

One of Button's main goals is to encourage more participation in the run.

"I just wanted to see what we could do to bring more people out," she said.

In an effort to achieve this, a one-kilometre children's run has been added as well as an optional 10-kilometre relay.

"The father can do the five kilometres and then tag in mom, and then she does the second five kilometres. Then someone's watching the kids all the time," she explained.

The kids' run will take place in Head Lake Park.

Another new element, said Button, is local businesses have been challenged to enter teams. Businesses can also sponsor a kilometre of the run.

Her fundraising goal for this year is \$5,000. "Last year, we were just over \$4,000 with 100 participants."

In Minden, Diane Peacock has been organizing the run for the past nine years, but has been involved as a volunteer for 15 years.

Cancer is something that has affected Peacock's friends and loved ones. Her great-niece was diagnosed with kidney cancer at nine months old but has been cancer-free for the past seven years.

"It's an important cause," said Peacock.

Another reason she supports the run is because of how the funds are distributed — 84 cents of every dollar goes directly to cancer research.

Over the past 21 years, Minden has raised just over \$232,000.

"It's grown," she said, pointing out that a silent auction was added to the event five years ago. All the funds raised by way of the auction are donated to the foundation in memory of the late Dawson Hamilton, who lost his battle to leukemia at the age of nine.

"We've raised almost \$9,000 in five years for him," she said.

The Minden event will also feature live entertainment, face painting and a barbecue. Jack Brezina will serve as the emcee of the festivities.

About 70 volunteers are involved in making the run possible.

Peacock pointed out Sept. 20 will also be celebrated as Terry Fox Day across the province.

"The province passed a bill on June 3 to declare the second Sunday after Labour Day as Terry Fox Day in the province. We're one of three provinces that have proclaimed that day now."

Participants can choose from a one-kilometre, five-kilometre or 10-kilometre route. Registration for the Minden event starts at 9 a.m. at the Minden Community Centre.

In Haliburton, the kids' run starts at 11:30 a.m. while the five-kilometre and 10-kilometre runs start at noon. Participants are encouraged to arrive at the town dock by 11 a.m. to register.

No minimum donation is required to enter either event.

For more information about the Minden event call Peacock at 705-286-4914 or email mindenterryfoxrun@interhop.net. For Haliburton, call Button at 705-457-0822 or email terryfoxhaliburton@gmail.com.

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Brenden and Amy Black take a look at their timetables for the upcoming semester.

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HHSS opens for registration

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

New and returning students, many of whom were with family, lined the hallway at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) this week to register for the upcoming year.

"We're looking forward to another good year," said principal Dan Marsden.

Between Tuesday and Thursday, hundreds made their way to the high school to pick up their timetables and pay for extracurricular activities such as sports. Each incoming student was able to select one of two free gifts – a water bottle or flashlight. "It's [registration] done to

try and help the school year unfold without too many hiccups or hurdles," said Marsden.

Those who didn't pre-register will have a chance to go through the same process on the first day of classes, Sept. 8.

The front line staff are integral to ensuring a smooth registration process, said Marsden. Three secretaries have been part of that effort.

"We've got a great team. Since I've come to the school it's been all about a team approach," he said.

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Photo submitted by Lucas Esson

Lucas Esson (fifth from left) with his fellow teammates at the Next Generation Leaders Forum.

JA grad earns award at global forum

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

Two local high school graduates brought their business acumen to the table at the Next Generation Leaders Forum held at Trent University in Peterborough earlier this month.

Lucas Esson and Krista Duncan, both members of Haliburton's Junior Achievement (JA) program, joined dozens of youth from around the world at the conference from Aug. 10-14.

In a phone interview, Esson explained in most cases youth must win their spot at the event. However, given the fact this was the first year the JA program came to Haliburton, they were given the opportunity to go.

Upon their arrival, the two were assigned to separate teams and issued a challenge.

"We were given a challenge at the start of the week, so every day we'd have a team meeting to create a business plan for the problem," he recalled.

In the hypothetical scenario, a business was faced with corporate espionage, hackers and the loss of consumer information.

"We had to ... come up with a security system to figure out the problem," he said, adding his team consisted of about 20 youth.

Later that week, Esson's team pitched their solution to a panel of judges. Their plan was so well-liked that they were awarded the Ron Wilson Award.

"All the judges did was compliment us on our presentation and our solution. They didn't really have questions for us, just good feedback on what we did."

Esson said over 120 delegates from 10 countries took part in the conference.

"It's was really cool because we had never

met any of them before," he said, recalling the experience. "There were a lot of ice breakers on the first couple of days and then we really dug deep into the challenge."

During the school year, Esson was one of six Grade 12 students who formed their own company, W.ink, and learned about all of the various facets of running a business over a period of 18 weeks. After starting and running a successful venture, they dissolved the company at the end of the program.

In his role, Esson served as co-vice president of finance with Duncan and also was vice president of information and technology.

He felt the conference, along with the JA program, were great learning opportunities.

"I thought it was a great opportunity to learn a lot of stuff, both from people around the world and local community members, business owners. I hope Junior Achievement

really gets the word out in Haliburton so that the high school can know about the program."

Both he and Duncan intend on returning to the high school either later this month or in early October to give a presentation to students about the program.

According to the JA website, the event is recognized globally as the premier international conference for JA youth.

"The Next Generation Leaders experience is a unique blend of personal growth, practical experience and confidence building. Delegates face real business challenges and develop strategies in collaboration with their global peers, university faculty and industry volunteers," states the site.

This month, Esson will be studying mathematics and finance at the University of Waterloo. Duncan will be attending the University of Toronto for business.

Architects coming to talk innovation and sustainability

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

You don't need to know how to construct a building from scratch in order to take away some valuable information from an upcoming event being hosted by the Trent Society of Architects.

The group will run what is known as a PechaKucha event at The Pepper Mill in Camarvon on Oct. 27 starting at 6 p.m.

As event organizer Adam Brady explains, the word is Japanese for chit-chat.

"Some architects in Tokyo had a studio that they were trying to promote some of their

more experimental work, so they created this format of these short presentations," explains Brady. "They would invite different members of the design community to just come and give these little seven-minute talks on an idea."

The informal gathering will feature a few speakers, including Matthew Harvey, chair of the Trent Society of Architects and lead architect for the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. Harvey will shed light on the use of a new form of wood treatment, known as shou-sugi-ban, for construction.

Peterborough-based architect Bill Lett will

elaborate on his firm's core purpose, which is "to create an enduring environment for the benefit and pleasure of all levels of society."

"We're trying to talk about things that are new, unheard of or exciting," says Brady.

As a member of the Highlands East housing and grants committee, Brady says his fellow committee members are excited about the event. They are currently working on amending a bylaw to permit secondary suites in homes in Highlands East. Alternative housing is also on their radar, he points out.

"I would like the event to appeal to the larger public."

Brady says it will definitely be of interest to students in Fleming College's sustainable building design program and local contractors.

Brady applied for a grant from the Ontario Association of Architects to bring the event to the Haliburton Highlands.

"I thought this would be a great idea, to try to bring something up to the county," he says, adding that he feels the exposure will be good for the area.

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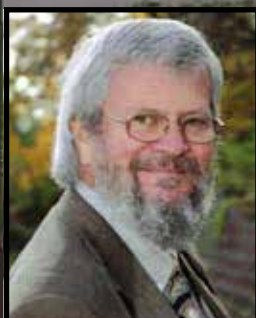


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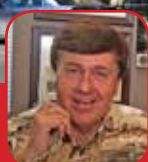


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The 2013-14 Highland Storm Midget B Girls were LLFHL champions last season.

Storm looking for rebound in numbers

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Hockey programs are alive and well in Haliburton County but numbers are dwindling, a trend Highland Storm coach Jamie Dollo said is happening around Ontario.

The Storm has had two rep teams in every division in the past, but this year with the exception of PeeWee, only one team will play for each division. There are no longer any Highland Storm girl teams.

Dollo said no one knows why fewer kids are signing up to play but numbers are down in other associations, including Port Perry, the home of Bobby Orr. In the past few years, local numbers have gone from 300 players to 200.

"We haven't put rates up in years and we're the cheapest there is, compared to other associations," he said. "Maybe other sports are more attractive or maybe parents don't want to drive."

Dollo said there is definitely a commitment needed from parents to ensure their kids get to play the sport, but in Haliburton County there is always support to help make the time commitment more manageable.

"The kids hang out together and then they all jump in one of the parents' cars together," he said.

Through Canadian Tire's Jumpstart program, which helps provide funds to kids to encourage active lifestyles, team fees are fully sponsored for some local hockey players. Dollo said he doesn't know of a

family being turned away from the program. The NHLPA and Matt Duchene donated free hockey equipment in August to more than 20 kids.

Dollo grew up playing hockey and said there's an immeasurable number of life lessons to be learned by being part of a team sport. He said players learn to respect their parents and team officials, be punctual, take responsibility for their equipment, and network and coordinate with others. He doesn't remember much from his stint as a badminton player in his youth, but he has lasting memories from his hockey games.

"There's lots of good things out there to say, 'come play hockey,'" he said. "The rinks are a great place to go in the winter. It's hard work. It's good for you."

Last year, the Highland Storm teams dominated their games. The PeeWees won the OMHA championship in the B division, the Midget B girls team won the LLFHL championships and a Bantam team made it to the finals.

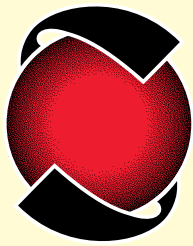
"What better promotion than having winning, successful teams," he said.

Dollo said he was excited about the opportunity to better promote the Highland Storm via The Highlander's sponsorship. Videos highlighting games, player interviews and behind the scenes footage will be featured at TheHighlander.ca and on The Highlander Facebook page.

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Highlander sports



Photos by Mark Arike

Left: Team captain Robin Fletcher moments before connecting with the ball. Right: Jason Hollowell winds up for the pitch.

Red Wolves wrap up baseball season

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The Haliburton Red Wolves Special Olympics team brought their bats, balls and gloves to the ball diamond for the last practice of the season on Aug. 31.

"It [the season] went great because the participation level is growing," said John

Kellett, one of six coaches in the baseball program.

Every Monday evening since June 1, the athletes have been gathering at the ball diamond in Haliburton to work on their skills and enjoy a friendly game. Kellett said the team didn't enter any tournaments this season due to there being fewer players than in the past.

However, it appears as though their roster will grow in time for next year.

"We've got new people moving to the area and joining our Special Olympics team as a whole," he said.

The entire Red Wolves team consists of 20 athletes, many of whom participate in other sports including bowling, curling and golf.

A coach with the team for the past 12 years,

Kellett finds joy in working with the players.

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Highlander sports

Nick Emsley wraps up O-Cup season

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Nick Emsley's Ontario Cup season is over.

The young Haliburton mountain biker finished 5th overall in the season standings, after placing 8th in the final race of the season on Aug. 30 in Duntroon.

"It was a really fast course," he said. "Right at the start line you had a big hill climb. I actually had a crash on the hill climb. I got squished over when a guy tried to come through the centre and we hooked handlebars. He took me down."

Despite the crash setting him back from the outset, Emsley was able to get back into the race and finish strong.

"I caught back up," he said. "Then it was a nice, flowing single track down to the finish."

Although he couldn't say where he would have finished if not for the crash, Emsley figured it cost him a couple of places in the race.

"It's hard to judge, see what you would have done. But I would say a couple of placings."

Looking back on the season, Emsley said he's happy with his finish.

"There were goals [this season]," Emsley said. "I had some trouble with riding techniques at the start of the season, but I figured all those out and am riding better and better. I'm feeling good about my season."

Next year, Emsley will move into the junior expert category, which comes with an extra lap on his races and harder competitors.

"It's going to be a hard year. I'm training hard and we'll see how it all works out."

Although the O-Cup race season is over, Emsley is still racing in marathons until the middle of October. His next race is the provincial marathon championships on Sept. 5, followed by the nationals on Sept. 12. He then competes in Paul's Dirty Enduro, a charity ride, on Sept. 19, and finished with a 50-kilometre single track challenge on Oct. 18.

"Just four more races and the season is done."

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Top: Ella Maierhofer, 8, had her face painted by Melissa Alfano during the Festival of the August Moon on Aug. 29. Far Left: Friends Heather Ross (left) and Eva Breathwait made their own Zen Garden during the Festival of the August Moon. The pair later floated their lanterns down the Gull River. Left: Yasuko Kano demonstrates a traditional Japanese dance.

Lanterns light the Gull River

The fifth annual Festival of the August Moon in Minden saw dozens of paper lanterns float down the Gull River on Aug. 29 as a way for residents to help guide the spirits of their loved ones back to the other world. The festival is inspired by Toro Nagashi, a longstanding Japanese tradition. Festival goers spent the day painting their lanterns and parasols, and learning traditional Japanese dances, all before floating their lanterns at dusk.

August Moon 2015



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Top: Three-year-old Emma Morrill-Carr risked getting wet to paint herself a lantern during the Festival of the August Moon. Right: Calla Dundas puts the finishing touches on her parasol. Above: Festival goers lined the Gull River to watch their lanterns float by.

Make It Minden 2015



Photos by Sue Tiffin

Top: Colin Robinson of Haliburton proudly shows off his 1952 Ford pickup truck. Bottom: A Model T Ford was one of the oldest exhibited cars at the Make It Minden event.



Classic cars Make It Minden

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

The Make It Minden series of summer events ended the 2015 season by driving out in style.

The Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers gathered at Canadian Tire on Aug. 27 for a classic car show. More than 40 cars were part of the night's exhibition, including a Model T from the early 1900s.

"This is pretty good for an overcast day," said Time Travellers co-cruise director Karl Feuerpfel. "It's a good chance to mingle with

people who have the same interests."

Toronto resident Les Abro brought his 1969 442 Oldsmobile to the event. A car aficionado saw him pull into Canadian Tire in the car one day and asked the South Lake cottager to participate. The Make It Minden event was his first.

The Time Travellers welcome cars 25 years or older, or those people might have a special interest in.

The Make It Minden series takes place each summer and is organized by Lynda Litwin. Weekly events include family-fun activities and events that highlight the Gull River.

Make It Minden 2015



Photos by Sue Tiffin

Top: Visitors to the Make It Minden event could look at the classic cars up close. Bottom left: Neil DeShane brought his 1967 MGB GT from Port Perry. Bottom right: South Lake cottager Les Abro is only the second owner of this 1969 442 Oldsmobile.



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Highlander events

Juno winner Fearing plays Irondale

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

For such a small place, the historic Irondale Church sure does attract some big acts.

The latest of these was Stephen Fearing, a member of the Juno-award winning band Blackie and the Rodeo Kings, on Aug. 29.

"It was excellent," said Carol Simmons, president of Bark Lake Cultural Developments which owns the church. "I would say we had 115 people in attendance."

Fearing entertained the crowd, not only with his music but also with captivating introductions to each of his songs. The concert was opened by local musician Ryan VanLieshout.

"[The crowd] loved it," Simmons said. "They commented on the acoustics and [Fearing's] guitar playing. They'd like to see [VanLieshout]. He opened with half a dozen songs, and a lot of them wanted to have him for a whole day, too."

Another big-name act to play the church earlier this year was the Russell deCarle Trio. DeCarle was the front man for popular Canadian group Prairie Oyster.

"It's a small venue," said Simmons. "I think they [musicians] appreciate the cause, and word got around that the acoustics are really good."

All money raised through concerts at the church are used to restore the historic



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Stephen Fearing performs at the historic Irondale Church on Aug. 30.

building.

Seasonal resident Doug Rodger used his connections to the music industry to organize both the Fearing and deCarle concerts. Simmons said there are more

concerts to come.

"There are a couple of other big names that have approached us," she said.

Simmons said they would like to make the concerts more regular and perhaps

start a series. The next scheduled show is a Christmas concert on Nov. 28 by the Lindsay Choir. It may be one of their last performances. Tickets will be \$10.



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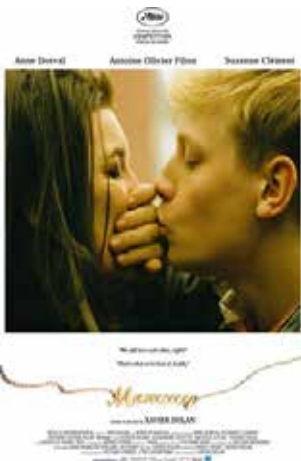
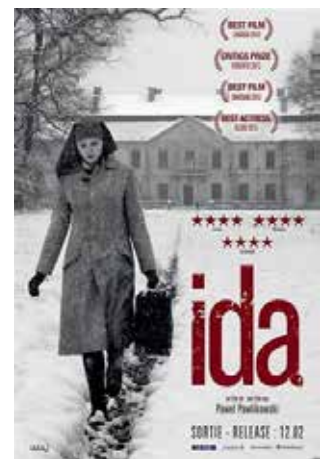
United Kingdom – English - Rated R - 95 min
Friday, November 13 at 6:30PM

Doug and Abi are taking their three children on a trip to Scotland for a big family gathering. They are in the midst of a difficult divorce, and have asked the kids to keep it a secret from their extended family. But as the inevitable feuds kick in, a completely unexpected turn of events involving the children causes further tensions to rise to the surface. And with the repercussions that ensue – hilarious and emotional in equal measure – the family are forced to put aside their differences and work together or else risk losing what they hold most dear.

IDA

2015 Academy Award Winner for Best Foreign Language Film
Poland – Polish with English subtitles – 80 min
Friday, November 13 at 8:30PM

From acclaimed director Pawel Pawlikowski (Last Resort, My Summer of Love) comes IDA, a moving and intimate drama about a young novitiate nun in 1960s Poland who, on the verge of taking her vows, discovers a dark family secret dating from the terrible years of the Nazi occupation. The weight of history is everywhere, but the scale falls within the scope of a young woman learning about the secrets of her own past. This intersection of the personal with momentous historic events makes for what is surely one of the most powerful and affecting films of the year.



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Canada – Subtitles – 140 min – Mature subject matter
Saturday, November 14 at 10AM

A feisty widowed single mom finds herself burdened with the full-time custody of her unpredictable 15-year-old ADHD son. As they struggle to make ends meet, Kyla, the peculiar new neighbor across the street, offers her help. Together, they find a new sense of balance, and hope is regained.

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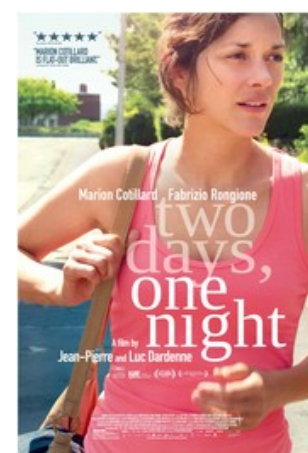
Canada – 93 min
Saturday, November 14 at 2PM

This hilarious foul-mouthed, lesbian road movie co-stars Oscar-winning actresses Brenda Fricker and Olympia Dukakis as Dot and Stella, a crackerjack couple on the run from a nursing home. Stella and Dot have been together for 31 years and have faithfully accompanied one another through life's ups and downs. Now in their seventies, Stella is hard of hearing and Dot is legally blind. Dot's prudish granddaughter, Molly (played by Genie Award-winner Kristin Booth), decides the best place for Dot is a nursing home that will provide all the necessities. This forces Stella and Dot to make a bold decision: they will leave their hometown and make their way to Canada, where same-sex marriage is legal.

TWO DAYS ONE NIGHT

Belgium-France-Italy – Subtitles – 95 min
Saturday, November 14 at 4PM

Sandra (Marion Cotillard) has just been released from the hospital to find that she no longer has a job. According to management, the only way Sandra can hope to regain her position at the factory is to convince her co-workers to sacrifice their much-needed yearly bonuses. Now, over the course of one weekend, Sandra must confront each co-worker individually in order to win a majority of their votes before time runs out. With TWO DAYS, ONE NIGHT, Jean-Pierre and Luc Dardenne have turned a relevant social inquiry into a powerful statement on community solidarity, once again delivering a film that is simple on the surface but alive with both compassion and wisdom.

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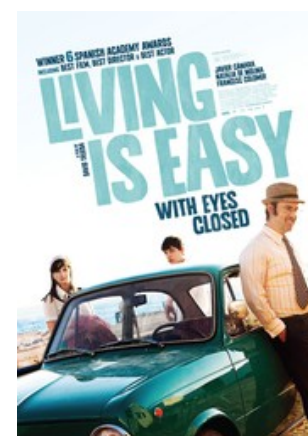
USA/Canada – English – 89 min
Saturday, November 14 at 7PM

What if confronting the climate crisis is the best chance we'll ever get to build a better world? Filmed over 211 days in nine countries and five continents over four years, *This Changes Everything* is an epic attempt to re-imagine the vast challenge of climate change. Directed by Avi Lewis, and inspired by Naomi Klein's international non-fiction bestseller, the film presents seven powerful portraits of communities on the front lines, from Montana's Powder River Basin to the Alberta Tar Sands. Throughout the film, Klein builds to her most controversial and exciting idea: that we can seize the existential crisis of climate change to transform our failed economic system into something radically better.

LIVING IS EASY WITH EYES CLOSED

Spain – Spanish with English subtitles - 108 min
Sunday, November 15 at 10:30AM

It is 1966 in Albacete, Spain. English teacher and die-hard Beatles fan Antonio decides to go on a road trip to Almería in the hope of meeting John Lennon, who is shooting a film there. On the way he picks up two hitch-hikers, Juanjo and Belén. This unlikely trio form a bond and decide to follow their dreams in hopes of finding their freedom.



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NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE EAST IRONDALE BRIDGE

The Municipality of Highlands East has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the replacement of the East Irondale Bridge located on Irondale Road, approximately 20 m north of the Contau Lake Road. The existing single span, steel pony truss bridge is nearing the end of its lifespan and the Municipality is commencing the planning process for its replacement in 2016. It is anticipated that the Irondale Road will be closed during the replacement of the bridge with traffic detoured via local area roads.

The project is being planned in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Manual, October 2000, as amended in 2007 as a Schedule "B" undertaking. Various alternatives for the structure replacement have been evaluated based on feasible engineering technologies, public safety and natural, social, economic and cultural environments.

Public and agency consultation is an important component of the Environmental Assessment process. Public and agency input are invited for incorporation into the planning and design of the project.

A Public Information Centre was held on August 11, 2015 at which time the preliminary design options were presented to the public. The Municipality has decided to proceed with the construction of a modular steel girder bridge with bolt-a-bin abutments with construction scheduled to commence in July 2016. If you are interested in receiving further information on this project, please contact the following individuals:

Matt MacDonald, P.Eng.
Project Manager
G.D. Jewell Engineering Inc.
1-71 Millennium Parkway
Belleville, ON, K8N 4Z5
Phone 613-969-1111
Fax 613-969-8988
E-mail: matt@jewelleng.ca

Earl Covert, CRSI
Road Superintendent
Municipality of Highlands East
2249 Loop Road
Wilberforce, ON K0L 3C0
Phone 705-448-2934
Fax 705-448-2532
E-mail: ecovert@highlandseast.ca

Interested persons should provide written comment to the Municipality on the proposal within 30 calendar days from the date of this Notice. Comment should be directed to the parties listed above. If concerns arise regarding this project, which cannot be resolved at this review phase, a person or party may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual environment assessments. Requests must be received by the Minister at the address below within 30 calendar days of this Notice.

A copy of this request must also be sent to the individuals listed above. If there is no request received by October 3rd, 2015, the project will proceed to design and construction as presented in the planning documentation.

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This Notice issued September 3, 2015

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NOTICE TO ALL RATEPAYERS

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For the Ratepayers of the Township of Minden Hills will be held on the following dates at the
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8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

September 5
October 10

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September 5
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Qualified applicants are invited to submit a letter of application together with a detailed resume of education and experience by 12:00:00 noon Friday September 11, 2015 to:

Employment Opportunity - Casual Part-Time Operator
Township of Minden Hills
7 Milne St, PO Box 359
Minden, ON K0M 2K0

Attention: Shannon Prentice, Administrative Assistant/Human Resources

Detailed Position Descriptions are available at www.mindenhills.ca or can be obtained by contacting sprentice@mindenhills.ca

If you are contacted by the Township of Minden Hills regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially.

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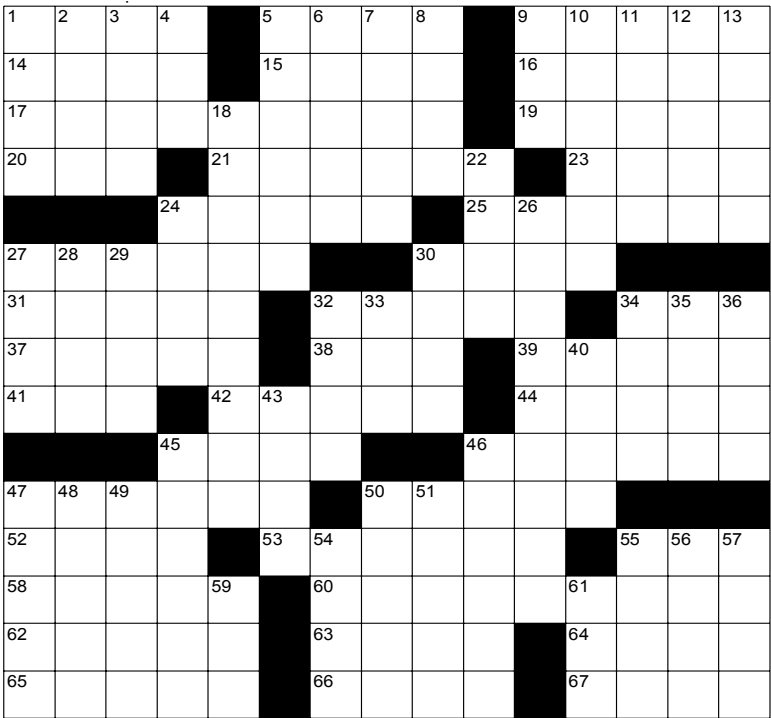
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 - 1. Certain star
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 - 9. Monstrous giants
 - 14. Copycat
 - 15. Hue
 - 16. Scent
 - 17. Seaport in Spain
 - 19. Respond
 - 20. Tricky
 - 21. Sci-fi weapons
 - 23. Not ashore
 - 24. Cheapskate
 - 25. Hurry
 - 27. Most feeble
 - 30. Vatican VIP
 - 31. Hockey venue
 - 32. Nosy person
 - 34. Biology, e.g. (abbr.)
 - 37. Clean thoroughly
 - 38. Edgar Allan _____
- 39. Of the eye
 - 41. That girl
 - 42. Critic Roger _____
 - 44. Wrathful
 - 45. Fret
 - 46. Trapped
 - 47. Southwestern Indian
 - 50. Devoutness
 - 52. Love to excess
 - 53. Position
 - 55. Exclamation of triumph
 - 58. Unaccompanied
 - 60. Spoke to
 - 62. Discussion group
 - 63. Soft cheese
 - 64. Mound
 - 65. Curl
 - 66. _____ belt
 - 67. Sweet potatoes

- DOWN**
 - 1. Catches
 - 2. Iridescent gem
 - 3. Exceedingly
 - 4. Circle section
 - 5. Finally (2 wds.)
 - 6. Bullwinkle, for one
 - 7. Not outer
 - 8. Letter starter
 - 9. Boat paddle
 - 10. Lubricate
 - 11. Sunday dinner item
 - 12. Host
 - 13. Lucifer
 - 18. Actress _____ Shue
 - 22. Scat!
 - 24. List of choices
 - 26. Designated one
 - 27. Scottish girl
 - 28. Curved doorway
 - 29. Slight
 - 30. Keats or Tennyson
 - 32. Gush forth
- 33. Negative word
 - 34. Big Dipper componen
 - 35. Quote
 - 36. Chilled
 - 40. Say grace
 - 43. Honey makers
 - 45. Panoramas
 - 46. Covert
 - 47. Adjust
 - 48. Arctic
 - 49. Make amends
 - 50. Pedro's father
 - 51. Calcutta's country
 - 54. Bar bills
 - 55. China's continent
 - 56. Ship's wheel
 - 57. Summer drinks
 - 59. Chicago trains
 - 61. Undercover agent

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2015 EVENTS			
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Highlands Opera Studio The Marriage of Figaro - 7:30 pm. Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Call 705-457-9933 for tickets	Dorset Pickle Ball – Dorset Rec Centre – 10:00 am-12:00 pm Haliburton County Farmers’ Market in Carnarvon - Corner of Hwy 118 & 35 - 12:00 pm-4:00 pm Heritage Happenings - Haliburton Highlands Museum - 10:30 am-12:00 pm	Tungsten On The Patio - Red Umbrella Inn - 1:00 pm-5:00 pm Minden Artisan Market - Minden Hills Cultural Centre - 9:00 am-1:00 pm	Hog Roast - Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve Dragon Boat Practice - Patient News Publishing Docks - 1:00 pm-2:30 pm - \$15
3	4	5	6
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Dorset Pickleball - Dorset Rec Centre - 6:45 pm-8:45 pm	Dorset Craft Connections – Dorset Rec Centre – 9:30 am-11:30 am Haliburton Farmer’s Market - Head Lake Park - 12:00 am-4:00 pm West Guilford Community Centre – 7:00pm – Euchre. All welcome	Dorset Yoga with Ingrid Bittner - Dorset Rec Centre - 11:30 am-12:00 pm Dorset African Hand Drumming - Dorset Rec Centre – 10:00 am-11:00 am The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild – 1:00pm - Stanhope Community Centre.	Shout Sister Choir Haliburton – 7:00 pm-9:00 pm – Haliburton United Church – All are welcome Visit www.thehighlander.ca for more events and activities in the Haliburton Highlands
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WHAT’S GOING ON AT YOUR LEGION SEPT. 3 - SEPT 9		
Haliburton Branch General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/draw. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30-1 p.m. Bridge, Monday 1 p.m. Open dart night, Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo \$500 jackpot, \$1,000 jackpot on last Wednesday of the month Legion Week Ontario – Sept. 20-26 John Briggs dart tournament, Sept. 26 10 a.m. start. \$60 per team, \$1,000 payout	Minden Branch Lunch menu, Monday – Friday, 12-2 p.m. Liver lover’s special, Tuesday, 12-2 p.m. (full menu also) Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime. General meeting, first Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Big euchre, first Sunday of the month (except holidays), noon, \$12 Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m. Monthly raffle, dinner for two at a local restaurant Golf tournament, Sept. 15, four-person best ball, \$50pp inc. cart	Junk in the Trunk sale, Sept. 19, 9-1 p.m., Reserve sport for \$15 Minden Cemetery Decoration Day, Sept. 19 Wilberforce Branch L.A. meeting, Thursday, 1 p.m. Pool, Friday, 2:30 p.m. Ham & Scalloped dinner, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Jam session, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m., early bird 3 p.m. sharp Horseshoe tourney, Sunday, registration 10 a.m. to noon. Play 12:30 p.m. \$10 entry Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Veteran’s dinner, Sept. 26, cocktails 5 p.m., dinner 6 p.m. \$15 for non-veterans

PUZZLES AND LAST WEEK’S ANSWERS

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William MacCallum – Green Party of Canada

David Marquis – Liberal Party of Canada

Mike Perry – New Democratic Party

There will be time before and after the meeting to meet the candidates. For those who are unable to attend, the meeting will be streamed live on HighlanderTV and archived at TheHighlander.ca for later viewing.

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What's on



Photo by Mark Arike

Pasi Posti and Andrea Mueller, recreation program coordinator for Dysart, hold a couple of the new skateboard decks to be made available for purchase during a fundraiser on Sept. 12. Proceeds from the boards will support future upgrades to the local skate park.

Fundraiser grinds into Haliburton

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

If the community continues pulling together like it has in recent months, Haliburton's youth just might be enjoying an upgraded skate park this time next year.

In May, local resident Pasi Posti made a pitch to Dysart council to improve the current park, located off Maple Avenue next to the library. He also proposed a fundraising initiative, which received a warm reception.

"Moving forward to see it happen, I secured a very reputable park builder from Toronto," said Posti in an interview. "We have begun to ballpark figures and plans for the park, and look at the feasibility of it."

Site planning meetings have been held with the builder, municipal staff and the reeve. As a result, a decision has been made to re-pour concrete over the existing pad and increase its square footage.

"We're going to be moving off of the pad towards Maple Avenue and off to the back towards the bridge as well," he explained.

New transition obstacles, which will be up to four feet tall, will be part of the makeover.

Bench-style ledges were also proposed at the first planning meeting.

"We're looking at a cost-effective, yet greatly improved park which is going to be the perfect blend of form and function for Haliburton," he said, estimating the total cost will be around \$75,000.

A design process will include the participation of local park users and the designer, said Posti.

So far, significant contributions to the project include a \$5,000 donation from a developer and a \$7,500 grant from the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program.

On Sept. 12 from 12-6 p.m., the municipality will host its first official public fundraiser at the park. Festivities will include live skateboarding demonstrations, a beer tent with Haliburton Highlands Brewing and lunch provided by the Lions Club.

Skaters will be able to purchase custom-made, wooden skateboard decks for \$50 each (tax included), with the majority of funds going to the improvement project. The decks have been manufactured by Control Manufacturing out of Quebec. Each

includes a graphic with the wording "Junction Skatepark," which is what the park is now being called in promotional materials.

"It's just the branding that we came up with, with Dysart," said Posti, who owns a media production company. For several years, he worked as a video producer for West 49 and oversaw their skateboarding-related marketing initiatives.

The purchase of the boards was made possible with the support of the Haliburton Village Business Improvement Area.

If all goes according to plan, construction should begin next spring. Posti hopes to see the project completed by the summer.

"Obviously that's contingent on everything from funding to any hang-ups we could have."

In addition to cash, Posti is encouraging in-kind contributions of concrete, aggregate, rebar and the use of heavy equipment.

Tax receipts will be issued by the municipality for cash donations.

To learn more about the upcoming event, contact Andrea Mueller by email at amueller@dysart.ca or call 705-457-1740.

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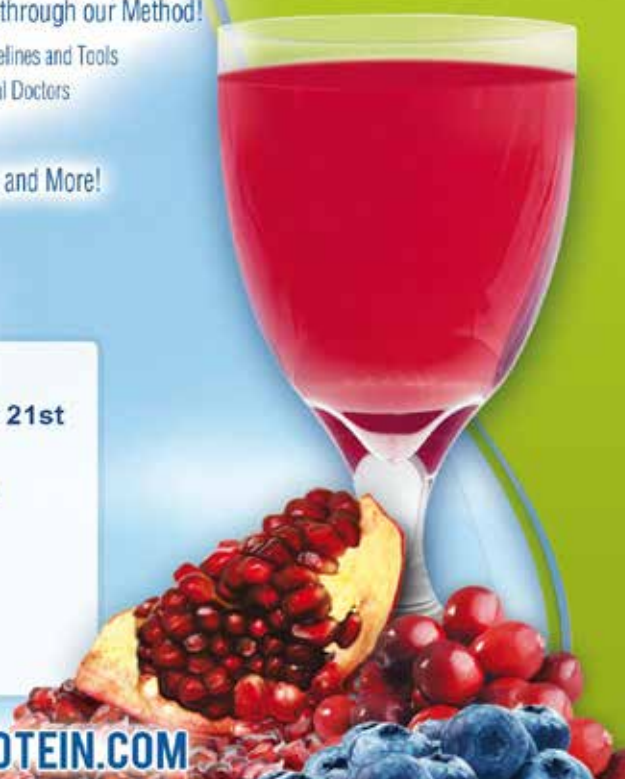
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Tuesday, Sept 1st, 2015-Last Names A-F
2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – *closed 4:30-5:30*
Wednesday, Sept 2nd, 2015-Last Names G-N
2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – *closed 4:30-5:30*
Thursday, Sept 3rd, 2015-Last Names O-Z
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Everyone is welcome.

Parent Nomination Forms may be picked up during Registration Week.

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PARK STREET HALIBURTON



\$210,000

2 storey, brick, 3 bedroom, 3 bathroom in town home. Drilled well, town sewers. Great rental opportunity, walk to all amenities.

ONE LEVEL - NO STAIRS



\$214,900

Nicely landscaped, newly renovated, 3 bedroom, in town home with a large screened porch, maintenance free exterior, lots of parking and a very private back yard. Walk to town and public beach.

HOME OR HOME BASED BUSINESS?



\$235,000

Totally renovated, 2 storey, open concept, 3 bedroom home with the ultimate in-town exposure! Features: eat-in kitchen, laminate flooring, wood cabinetry and a pellet stove to keep things cozy.

COMMERCIAL

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY



\$319,800

Own your own business - be your own boss. Storage business with well maintained units centrally located on Industrial Park Road in Haliburton. The adjoining lot is also included.

PRIME COMMERCIAL LOC'N



\$359,000

Many recent upgrades & is in ready to go condition. Currently has 3 rentals including 2 bedroom home.

BURNT RIVER - GRAVEL PIT



\$419,000

123 acres of land with a licensed class 'A' category 1 gravel pit with large deposits of gravel. There is also a 1,300 square foot bungalow with good office space potential.

RECENTLY SOLD

COUNTY ROAD 21



\$159,000

5 bdrm, 2 bathrm home close to Haliburton. Deeded access to Kashagawigamog Lake. Main floor family room and laundry, double detached garage.

PARADISE LAKE



\$179,950

Bright open concept 2 bedroom cottage. Sunny southern exposure, great fishing, sandy shoreline at the waters edge of Paradise Lake - minutes from Haliburton.

COUNTRY LIVING



\$283,000

Open concept family home on 4.6 acres close to Eagle Lake. 2,956 square feet of living space with 3+1 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, a master bedroom with ensuite and claw tub, full finished walk-out basement with a bar and a woodstove to keep you toasty.

HALIBURTON LAKE



\$258,000

2 bedroom cottage with 100 feet of rock and sand shoreline with awesome fishing, swimming and boating. Private lot, located on a year round municipal road with a heated line to the lake for winter water.

GLEN LAKE



\$433,000

Close to ski hill. Amazing fishing on spring-fed lake. Extremely private. Turn key year round cottage. 3 bedroom, 2 bathrooms with 386 ft of deep sandy shoreline.

BEAUTIFUL MOOSE LAKE



\$448,000

Moose & Eagle Lake chain. 3 bedroom, 2 f/p, finished basement & double garage. Generator. Great shoreline & a huge lake view.

VACANT WATERFRONT

\$79,000 - Drag Lake - 420' frontage - North West Exposure - 4.12 acres

\$99,000 - Davis Lake - 113' frontage - Northern Exposure - 0.48 acres

\$99,000 - Davis Lake - 83' frontage - Northern Exposure - 0.56 acres

\$109,000 - Haliburton Lake - 299' frontage - South East Exposure - 2.5 acres

\$177,000 - Percy Lake - 105' frontage - Southern Exposure - 0.45 acres

\$219,000 - Growler Lake - 230' frontage - North West Exposure - 1.35 acres

\$239,800 - Kashagawigamog Lake - 324' frontage - North East Exposure

\$280,000 - Little Redstone Lake - 165' frontage - Southern Exposure - 1.14 acres

\$369,000 - Lipsy Lake - Lot 5 - 607' frontage - Eastern Exposure - 8.1 acres

\$369,000 - Lipsy Lake - Lot 6 - 592' frontage - Southern Exposure - 6.8 acres

\$369,000 - Lipsy Lake - Lot 7 - 624' frontage - North West Exposure - 10.8 acres

2 lots on Redstone Lake - 44 acres and 9 acres - North West Exposure - Call for details.

VACANT LAND & DEEDED ACCESS LOTS

\$12,888 - Twist Lane - Year round private road - Deeded access to Salerno Lake

\$14,500 - Fred Jones Road - Close to Haliburton, year round road, 0.61 acres.

\$17,000 - Twist Lane - Beautifully treed lot with deeded access to Salerno Lake

\$23,900 - Haliburton Lake Road - Building lot between Eagle and Haliburton Lakes.

\$19,000 - Glamor Lake Road - 3.4 acre lot close to Glamor and Billings Lakes

\$25,000 - Trapper's Trail - Year round municipal road - Deeded access to Miskwabi Lake

\$37,000 - Loon Lake Road - Year round municipal road - Deeded access to Loon Lake

\$39,800 - Haliburton Lake Road - 9.35 acres of mature hardwood bush.

\$39,900 - Graydon Lane - Level 1.9 acre lot with a stream running through it.

VISIT WWW.TEAMHALIBURTONHIGHLANDS.COM FOR ADDITIONAL LISTINGS!



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PIGEON LAKE LOT \$74,900



- 7+ acres on spring-fed Pigeon Lake
- Total privacy, perfect natural site for cottage
- Rock face, mature trees, bush road through lot
- Access only by boat or on foot
- Stunning elevated view to the west!

DENNA LAKE LOT \$99,000



- Elevated waterfront lot
- Deep frontage on a smaller spring-fed lake
- South-east exposure
- Hydro easement recently cleared
- Dramatic view!

BIG BOSHKUNG LAKE \$399,900



- 3 bedroom plus Bunkie
- Vaulted ceilings, pine walls
- New shingles and decks
- Year round road, heated water line
- Deep water, west exposure

1287 CONTAU LAKE ROAD \$125,000



- Extremely private off-grid retreat
- Built in 2008, 2 bedroom luxurious interior
- Woodstove, propane appliances, generator
- 9 acres with 520 feet on the Irondale River
- River is quite a distance from cottage



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COUNTY ROAD 1 \$12,900



- Private lot to build your home or get-away on.
- Well treed, 2.8 acres
- Storage shed on lot
- Year round municipal access
- Unbelievable value!

BRADY LAKE "A" FRAME \$269,900



- 2 storey chalet, open concept living space
- Main floor bedroom and laundry
- Circular drive with ample parking
- Multiple storage sheds on property
- 100' frontage, lake surrounded by Crown land

NON-WATERFRONT LOTS



- North Shore Road – 3 acres \$22,000
- Park Street – 0.25 acre \$26,900
- Boughner Road – 9.92 acres \$46,900

STORMY LAKE \$349,000



- Year round, 3 bedrooms cottage/home
- Private level lot with expansive southern view
- Enclosed porch, lakeside Bunkie & decking
- Stone fireplace with wood insert
- Child friendly, good swimming & boating



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AL'S TRAILS ON GLAMOR LAKE ROAD \$45,000



- Private building lot on 5.7 acres
- 700' frontage on a paved year-round municipally maintained road
- Many options of areas to build
- Groomed trails carved through wooded sugar bush
- Glamor and Billings Lake boat launch minutes down the road

HANDYMAN'S SPECIAL \$119,000



- Bungalow with oversized garage
- Deeded access to Maple Lake
- On a year round municipally maintained road
- Fixer-upper with potential
- Come and take a look!

HALIBURTON HOME \$227,800



- Spacious family home
- Walk to town, schools, and medical facilities
- 3 bdrms, 2 bath, 2 large family rooms & wet bar
- Home has a big, new deck
- This would make a great 'bed and breakfast



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ONE LEVEL STARTER \$138,000

- 3 bedroom home on level lot
- Open concept with large sunroom
- Covered entrance, patio area
- Double detached garage
- Storage shed
- Year round municipal access



RESTRICTED MOTOR LAKE \$155,000

- 2 bedroom
- 4 season country cottage
- Large deck for entertaining
- Bunkie, playset, lots of room to play
- Deeded water access down the lane
- Comes turn-key ready to enjoy



IN-LAW SUITE AND STUDIO \$275,000

- 3+1 bedroom, 3 bath
- 3,900 sq. ft. living space
- 3.13 acres close to Haliburton
- Self-contained in-law suite & studio
- 2 fireplaces, cherry kitchen
- Paved driveway, detached garage



FISHING PARADISE \$295,900

- 2 bedroom, cozy cottage
- Newer roof
- Great decking
- Detached garage for all the toys
- 2 lakes to swim, boat, and fish
- Year-round access



4-SEASON COTTAGE \$299,900

- Mature treed, 1.23 acres
- 193' frontage on spring fed lake
- 1,152 square feet, 3 bedrooms
- 2 level decking, cathedral ceilings
- Year-round access
- 2 hours from the GTA



COTTAGE PERFECTION \$364,900

- 3 bedroom, 4-season home/cottage
- 1,144 square feet living space
- 120' frontage, sunset views
- 2 docks, firepit area
- Natural stonework
- Screened porch with deck



4 SEASON LUXURY \$374,900

- 2+2 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 2,800 sq. ft.
- 131' gradual sand waterfront
- Full walkout basement
- 2 lakeside decks
- 3 lakeside walkouts
- Screened 'Haliburton' room



HALIBURTON BY THE LAKE \$399,000

- 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath
- 2,100 square feet
- Access to 5 lake chain, water view
- Hardwood & slate floors, Jacuzzi tubs
- Private backyard, large deck
- Pride of ownership throughout



HALIBURTON LAKE COTTAGE \$399,000

- 3 bedroom cottage on lovely level lot
- Great decking & docks
- 103' frontage
- New steel roof on cottage and garage
- Boat for miles on this beautiful lake
- Fantastic views & sandy shallow waterfront



4-SEASON RETREAT \$434,900

- 3+1 bedroom, 2 bath
- 1,800 square feet living space
- Expansive views, clean shoreline
- Fully finished lower level walkout
- Year round access at end of laneway
- Limited maintenance home and yard



NEW CUSTOM HOME \$499,900

- 3+2 bedroom, 3 bath new home
- Finished lower level walkout
- Lakeside decking with glass railing
- Master with ensuite and walkout
- Year-round access
- 2.5 hours from the GTA



EUROPEAN STANDARDS \$1,099,000

- Beautiful 3 bedroom
- 2,415 sq. ft. home/cottage
- Separate 3 bdrm, 1,365 sq. ft. guest house
- Boathouse, storage shed, firepit
- Triple garage, circular driveway
- Over two million dollars invested